

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 34

By: Sykes

A Resolution honoring the public service career of
Senator Kenneth Landis; mourning his loss; and
directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Kenneth Keith Landis Sr. was born April 16, 1925, in Walters, Oklahoma, the son of Harve and Oma Lois (Petty) Landis. Kenneth Landis was destined to serve both his state and nation in uniform for most of his professional life; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Landis served in the United States Navy Air Corps during World War II. He then served for twenty years in the Oklahoma Highway Patrol as a trooper from 1950 to 1970. Ken also served as the Sheriff of Stephens County from 1974 through 1978. During that period he was a member of the Oklahoma Sheriffs Association and the National Sheriffs Association; and

WHEREAS, Senator Kenneth Landis served in the Oklahoma State Senate from 1979 to 1986. He was honored as one of the outstanding freshmen members of the Oklahoma Legislature by "Hardhat Magazine". State Senator Kenneth Landis focused on aiding county government, holding down utility rates, and combating illegal drugs. He was selected Majority Whip in January 1983; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Keith Landis died Thursday, January 29, 2009, at 83 years of age.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate honors the late Senator Kenneth Landis and his outstanding career of public service, both in uniform

while protecting the country and enforcing the law, and as a state lawmaker.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate joins the family and friends of Senator Kenneth Landis in mourning his loss and extends its most sincere condolences.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the daughter of Kenneth Landis, DeEtta Faye Ward; his granddaughter, Hilarie Morgan Ward; and son, Kenneth Landis, Jr., and the Stephens County Historical Museum.

Adopted by the Senate the 19th day of May, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate