

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 62

By: Mazzei, Adelson, Aldridge,
Anderson, Ballenger,
Barrington, Bass, Bingman,
Branan, Brogdon, Brown,
Burrage, Coates, Coffee,
Corn, Crain, Crutchfield,
Easley, Eason McIntyre,
Ellis, Ford, Garrison,
Gumm, Halligan, Ivester,
Johnson (Constance),
Johnson (Mike), Jolley,
Justice, Lamb, Laster,
Leftwich, Lerblance,
Marlatt, Myers, Newberry,
Nichols, Paddack, Reynolds,
Rice, Russell, Schulz,
Sparks, Stanislawski,
Sweeden, Sykes, Wilson and
Wyrick

A Resolution thanking Jim Mazzei for his service to
the Oklahoma State Senate; and directing
distribution.

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel James A. Mazzei's United States Air
Force career spanned twenty years from 1963 until 1983. Colonel
Mazzei commanded the Air Force's first satellite terminal at Clark
Air Base in the Philippines. However, his career in aerospace and
technology continued after his retirement from the U.S. Air Force;
and

WHEREAS, Jim Mazzei is currently Senior Technologist at the
Aerospace Corporation, a non-profit telecommunications industry. He

provides consulting services to the Department of Defense and the intelligence community. His principal areas of expertise are military and civilian satellite systems, satellite earth stations, and distributed networks. He has held technical and management roles ranging from test engineer to Chief Technical Officer to Earth Station Manager to Senior Director and Chief Information Officer (CIO). He has been employed by the Harris Corporation, COMSAT Corporation, and Booz-Allen and Hamilton, Inc., where he has been involved with testing, production, systems engineering, and technical assistance; and

WHEREAS, Jim Mazzei also teaches as an Adjunct Professor for the University of Maryland, George Mason University, and Johns Hopkins University graduate programs in the areas of satellite communications, data communications, computer networks, network management, and executive programs. His most recent classes include courses on satellite technology taught to NATO allies in Norway and Turkey; and

WHEREAS, Jim Mazzei recently settled in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He and his wife Gaye are extremely proud of their family, six children and ten grandchildren. One of his sons is State Senator Mike Mazzei, who represents District 25 in the Oklahoma State Senate. Senator Mazzei has been suffering from a back injury and his father has been acting as an unpaid chauffeur and companion aide to the Senator for the duration of this legislative session, commuting between their home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and the state capitol in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This feat may have been as challenging as his Air Force career, a job as difficult as an aerospace technologist, or an assignment as enlightening as a teacher.

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

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate thanks James A. Mazzei for his unwavering service to the United States Air Force, the aerospace industry, the teaching profession, and most of all to the Oklahoma State Senate.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to James A. Mazzei.

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

Presiding Officer of the Senate