

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 62

By: Mazzei

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6 AS INTRODUCED

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

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

17 WHEREAS, Jim Mazzei is currently Senior Technologist at the
18 Aerospace Corporation, a non-profit telecommunications industry. He
19 provides consulting services to the Department of Defense and the
20 intelligence community. His principal areas of expertise are
21 military and civilian satellite systems, satellite earth stations,
22 and distributed networks. He has held technical and management
23 roles ranging from test engineer to Chief Technical Officer to Earth
24 Station Manager to Senior Director and Chief Information Officer

1 (CIO). He has been employed by the Harris Corporation, COMSAT
2 Corporation, and Booz-Allen and Hamilton, Inc., where he has been
3 involved with testing, production, systems engineering, and
4 technical assistance; and

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

12 WHEREAS, Jim Mazzei recently settled in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is
13 the proud parent of two sons and an even prouder grandparent of ten
14 grandchildren. One of his two sons is State Senator Mike Mazzei,
15 who represents District 24 in the Oklahoma State Senate. Senator
16 Mazzei has been suffering from a back injury and his father has been
17 acting as an unpaid chauffer and companion aide to the Senator for
18 the duration of this legislative session, commuting between their
19 home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and the state capitol in Oklahoma City,
20 Oklahoma. This feat may have been as challenging as his Air Force
21 career, a job as difficult as an aerospace technologist, or an
22 assignment as enlightening as a teacher.

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

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

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

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