Senate Resolution 188

Senator Herring offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Friday, February 21, 1969, marked the birthday of the distinguished Senator Barbara Jordan of Harris County; and

Whereas, The Pages of the Senate of Texas, because of their affection, respect and admiration for Senator Jordan, wish to express their best wishes for a happy birthday; and

Whereas, The Senate was not in session on Senator Jordan’s birthday; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Pages of the Senate of the 61st Legislature do this day wish to present to Senator Barbara Jordan a token of their esteem.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Les Quisenberry and Chip Kerr as representatives of the Pages of the Senate, presented Senator Jordan with a gift of appreciation.

House Bills on First Reading

The following bills received from the House, were read the first time and referred to the Committees indicated:

H. B. No. 20, To Committee on County, District and Urban Affairs.

H. B. No. 260, To Committee on State Affairs.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 21

Senator Harris offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 21, Granting Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody permission to sue the State of Texas.

Whereas, Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody alleges that he is a resident of Celina, Collin County, Texas; and

Whereas, Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody alleges that on the 31st day of October, 1967, while operating his 1966 Ford pick-up truck vehicle in a northerly direction along Walton Walker Boulevard, at its intersection with the Dallas-Fort Worth Turnpike in Dallas County, Texas, the said Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody, was injured when his vehicle struck a large pile of asphalt which had been improperly placed by employees of the State of Texas in the roadway of Walton Walker Boulevard, causing the total loss of his vehicle; and

Whereas, Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody alleges that he suffered the following injuries, to-wit: scalp wound, broken teeth, broken jaw, a broken left arm, a broken right leg and breaks in both feet; and

Whereas, Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody alleges that it has been necessary that he receive benefit of plastic surgery, and has suffered frequent blackouts of unknown origin; and

Whereas, Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody, desires to institute suit against the State of Texas for damages suffered by him as a result of said injuries inflicted upon him; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That

1) Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody is granted permission to sue the State of Texas in any Court of competent jurisdiction for any relief to which he may be entitled under law arising from the alleged wrongful acts alleged in this Resolution; and

2) in the event suit is filed, service of citation and other required process shall be made upon the Attorney General of the State of Texas; and

3) the suit shall be conducted as in other civil cases; and, be it further

Resolved, That the sole purpose of this Resolution is to grant to the aforesaid Billy Warren (B. W.) Cody, permission to bring suit against the State of Texas, and no admission of liability of the State or of any fact is made in any way by the passage of this Resolution.

The resolution was read and was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Message From the Governor

The following message received from the Governor was read and was referred to the Committee on Nominations:

Austin Texas,
February 24, 1969.

To the Senate of the Sixty-first Legislature:

I ask the advice, consent, and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointment:

To be Rio Grande Compact Commissioner, for a two-year term to expire