

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
2 passing of John Gordon Wilkerson Jr. of Lubbock on August 28, 2021,
3 at the age of 86; and

4 WHEREAS, A lifelong Lubbock resident, John Wilkerson was born
5 on December 18, 1934, to John Gordon Wilkerson and Cleo Hankins
6 Wilkerson Bullard, and he grew up with two siblings, Howard and
7 Mary; he graduated from Lubbock High School in 1953 and from Baylor
8 University in 1957; dedicated to his alma mater, he went on to serve
9 for 18 years on the Baylor Board of Regents, including as chair, and
10 he presided over the Hankamer School of Business alumni board of
11 directors; he also chaired the Baylor Development Council; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1956, Mr. Wilkerson assumed leadership of the
13 Wilkerson Cold Storage Co., and he remained at its helm as chairman
14 until his death; under his able leadership, Wilkerson Storage Co.
15 and Wilkerson Properties served an array of commercial and
16 industrial logistics and real estate customers; Mr. Wilkerson
17 belonged to the board of directors of the International Association
18 of Refrigerated Warehouses, and he was instrumental in the growth
19 of the Lubbock community, chairing the Board of City Development,
20 the Lubbock Central Appraisal District, and the Civil Service
21 Commission; and

22 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Wilkerson enjoyed the love
23 and support of his wife of 63 years, Ruth, and he took great pride in
24 his four children, Gordon, David, Sarah, and Ray, who preceded his

1 father in death; with the passing years, Mr. Wilkerson welcomed
2 eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren into his family; a
3 man of deep faith, he served in numerous capacities at First Baptist
4 Church; he was a champion of the downtrodden and readily shared his
5 resources with those in need; and

6 WHEREAS, John Wilkerson possessed a generosity of spirit that
7 expressed itself in myriad ways, and he enriched the lives of
8 countless people with his compassion, integrity, and strength of
9 character; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
11 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
12 of John Gordon Wilkerson Jr. and extend heartfelt sympathy to the
13 members of his family: to his wife, Ruth Wilkerson; to his children,
14 Gordon Wilkerson and his wife, Lori, David Wilkerson and his wife,
15 Kim, and Sarah Scott and her husband, Richard; to his
16 grandchildren, Will, Rachel, Ellen, and Caroline Wilkerson and
17 Warner, Ethan, and Julia Scott; to his great-grandchildren, Calvin
18 Harrison and Charlotte Wilkerson; to his sister, Mary Grady; to his
19 sister-in-law, Glenda Wilkerson; and to all others who mourn his
20 passing; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of John
24 Wilkerson.

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H.R. No. 33

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 33 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on October 14, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House