

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived remain to comfort the
2 family and friends of Edward K. Norfleet Jr. of Amarillo, who passed
3 away on January 7, 2021, at the age of 67; and

4 WHEREAS, Eddy Norfleet was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on June
5 18, 1953, to Dr. Edward K. Norfleet and Eva Weldon Norfleet;
6 shortly after he was born, his father's career in medicine took the
7 family to Oklahoma, where he was raised along with a younger sister,
8 Pally; both of his parents served their country during World War II,
9 giving the younger Mr. Norfleet a lifelong admiration for members
10 of the military; and

11 WHEREAS, After graduating from high school in Tulsa,
12 Oklahoma, Mr. Norfleet enrolled at the University of Oklahoma,
13 where he earned a bachelor's degree in 1975 and a juris doctor
14 degree in 1978; he proudly pledged Beta Theta Pi Fraternity, and he
15 remained ardently loyal to his alma mater, and especially the
16 Sooners football team, throughout his life; and

17 WHEREAS, With his law degree in hand, Mr. Norfleet moved from
18 Norman, Oklahoma, to Amarillo and began his career as in-house
19 counsel for a Fortune 500 oil and gas corporation; he acquired the
20 experience to later open his own private practice, where he
21 specialized in family law, oil and gas, and wills and probate for 24
22 years; he served on a number of local boards and commissions, and he
23 was the recipient of many awards that reflected the high regard in
24 which he was held by his professional peers; and

1 WHEREAS, In 1993, Mr. Norfleet married Gina Bowers, his best
2 friend and the love of his life; the couple's blended family
3 included his two children, Keats and Nellie, and his two
4 stepchildren, Blake and Chris, whom he regarded as his own; he
5 enjoyed having the entire family together on holidays and
6 vacations, and he also deeply cherished his four granddaughters,
7 Parker, Price, Boston, and Emma; in addition to family, his faith
8 was a major pillar of his life, and he was known to pray regularly
9 for those in his circle of loved ones; and

10 WHEREAS, Eddy Norfleet was an esteemed member of his
11 profession, a devoted family man, and a dear friend, and he will
12 long be remembered with admiration and affection by those he leaves
13 behind; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Edward K. Norfleet Jr.
16 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
17 wife, Gina; to his sister, Pally; to his children, Keats Norfleet
18 and his wife, Malaise, Nellie Norfleet, Blake Bunnett and his wife,
19 Amanda, and Chris Bunnett; to his granddaughters, Parker and Price
20 Norfleet, Boston Bunnett, and Emma Bunnett; and to his other
21 relatives and friends; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 761

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 761 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 30, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House