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S.R. No. 77

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 Robert Mirk Ellis of Friendswood on October 30, 2023, at  
3 the age of 80; and

4           WHEREAS, Robert Ellis was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on May 23,  
5 1943; he earned a master's degree in business administration from  
6 the University of Dayton and began working in space life sciences in  
7 1967, at a company then called Technology Inc.; later renamed Wyle  
8 Integrated Science and Engineering Group, the business worked with  
9 NASA to study the cardiovascular health of astronauts, and it grew  
10 to employ 1,300 people; he retired as group president after 45 years  
11 with the company; and

12           WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family, Mr. Ellis shared a  
13 rewarding relationship with his wife, Mary, that spanned nearly 47  
14 years, and he took great pride in their four children, nine  
15 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; and

16           WHEREAS, A man of faith, Mr. Ellis was actively involved in  
17 his church, and he served as an administrator for many years; he was  
18 also a dedicated coach to his children's baseball teams, and in his  
19 leisure time, he enjoyed collecting cards and coins and tending to  
20 his garden, which included over 100 varieties of roses; and

21           WHEREAS, Although Robert Ellis is deeply missed, he will  
22 forever be remembered with great admiration for his professional  
23 achievements and for the myriad ways he gave of himself to benefit  
24 others; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd  
2 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Robert Mirk Ellis  
3 and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be  
4 it further

5           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this  
7 day, it do so in memory of Robert Ellis.