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H.R. No. 188

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, August 2, 2003, marks the first anniversary of the
2 passing of Alan Ray "Sonny" Holleyman of Sanderson, and this
3 occasion provides a fitting opportunity to remember this
4 outstanding Texan and reflect on his many achievements; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Holleyman was born in Kermit, Texas, on January
6 18, 1932, and he attended Monahans High School, where he was a
7 member of the school's football team; he was raised by his maternal
8 grandparents, "Pockets" and Minnie Jones, who instilled in him a
9 love of the land and the cowboy lifestyle that stayed with him
10 throughout his life; and

11 WHEREAS, He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1950, and
12 over the course of his distinguished service he was awarded four
13 Good Conduct medals, the National Defense Service Medal, the United
14 Nations Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal, and a Navy Unit
15 Commendation; he received an honorable discharge from the Navy on
16 July 2, 1969, as a master-at-arms; and

17 WHEREAS, After leaving military service, Mr. Holleyman
18 embarked on a varied career in law enforcement, which included
19 employment with the Pinkerton Detective Agency, Sanger-Harris
20 Department Store, and the Fort Worth Police Department; he
21 graduated from Odessa's Regional Police Academy in 1985, and he
22 joined the staff of the Terrell County Sheriff's Department shortly
23 thereafter; in the mid 1990s, he retired as the department's chief
24 deputy and went on to serve as the constable for Precincts 1, 3, and

1 4, a position he held until his passing; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Holleyman was a man of dedication, courage, and
3 integrity, and while he is greatly missed, the legacy he left behind
4 will not soon be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
6 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
7 Alan Ray "Sonny" Holleyman and extend sincere sympathy to the
8 members of his family: to his wife, Christine Holleyman; to his
9 mother, Ruth Howard; to his children, Alan R. Holleyman, Jr., Lark
10 Raymond, and Linda Wise; to his stepchildren, Sharon E. Campbell,
11 Athena Campbell, and Cherre Settle; to his brother, Steven Howard;
12 to his sister, Kathi Phelan; and to his other relatives,
13 colleagues, and many friends; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alan Ray
17 "Sonny" Holleyman.