

By: Jones of Lubbock

H.C.R. No. 10

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost an esteemed citizen with the
2 passing of Fred Q. Underwood of Lubbock on August 16, 2003, at the
3 age of 82; and

4 WHEREAS, A prominent figure in the cotton industry, Mr.
5 Underwood was born in Athens, Texas, on April 10, 1921, and moved
6 to Lubbock with his family in 1938; he graduated from the New Mexico
7 Military Institute and attended Texas Tech University, where he was
8 a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity; and

9 WHEREAS, From 1942 to 1945, Mr. Underwood served his country
10 as a flight instructor and air transport commander in the U.S. Army
11 Air Corps; and

12 WHEREAS, Following his discharge from the service, he
13 returned to Lubbock and joined the cotton warehousing firm owned by
14 his family; in the mid-1980s he and his son established their own
15 warehousing concern, known as the Trinity Company, and Mr.
16 Underwood served as CEO and chairman of the business until his
17 retirement; today the Trinity Company serves the heart of the
18 cotton-producing region of Texas, with 10 facilities operating in
19 nine counties of the South Plains; and

20 WHEREAS, Fred Underwood and his wife, Dale, were married on
21 December 18, 1943, in Twentynine Palms, California; over the years
22 the couple rejoiced as their family grew to include two children and
23 three grandchildren; and

24 WHEREAS, Widely respected for his integrity, his kindness,

1 and his generous, unassuming nature, Mr. Underwood enjoyed a life
2 rich in family, friends, and accomplishments, and his memory will
3 be forever cherished by those who were privileged to share his love
4 and affection; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas,
6 2nd Called Session, hereby pay special tribute to the life of Fred
7 Q. Underwood and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his
8 family: to his wife of 60 years, Dale Underwood; to his son, Fred A.
9 Underwood and his wife, Pam; to his daughter, Shelley Underwood; to
10 his grandchildren, Jennifer and her husband Robert Schwenker, Becca
11 and her husband, Quinton Dickerson III, and Brett A. Underwood; to
12 his sister, Mary Katherine Prather; to his sister-in-law, Louise
13 Underwood; and to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for his family, and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Fred Q.
18 Underwood.