

By: Rodriguez

H.R. No. 144

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The citizens of Austin lost a distinguished  
2 community leader and activist on September 10, 2003, when Charles  
3 Hallmark passed away, leaving a host of friends and admirers to  
4 deeply mourn his untimely death; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Hallmark selflessly devoted much of his life to  
6 making his community a better place; since 1998, this noble  
7 gentleman lent full-time support to the many important causes he  
8 aided, including the Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas, Project  
9 Transitions, and the Texas Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action  
10 League; and

11           WHEREAS, An activist in the fight against acquired  
12 immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), this exceptional Texan worked  
13 with AIDS Services of Austin, where he helped to promote AIDS  
14 education and understanding and organized annual fund-raisers like  
15 the AIDS Walk of Austin; and

16           WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to know Charles Hallmark  
17 will not quickly forget the rare courage and compassion he  
18 displayed in every facet of his life; demonstrating an unyielding  
19 determination to correct society's injustices, his dedication  
20 earned him the lasting respect and affection of countless friends  
21 and community residents, and his spirit will forever brighten and  
22 warm their hearts; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
24 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of

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1 Charles Hallmark and extend deepest sympathy to his family and many  
2 friends; and, be it further

3           RESOLVED, That when the Texas House of Representatives  
4 adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Charles Hallmark.