By: Goolsby H.R. No. 339

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Dallas real estate community and the Park Cities area suffered a great loss with the passing of Robert Frank "Bob" Wertheimer on August 30, 2003, at the age of 69; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Dallas, Mr. Wertheimer was an alumnus of Highland Park High School and a 1956 graduate of Southern Methodist University (SMU), where he lettered in varsity tennis and served as tennis team captain during his senior year; after graduation, he enlisted in the United States armed forces and completed a two-year tour of active duty and a subsequent period as a member of the army reserves; and

WHEREAS, On his return to civilian life, Mr. Wertheimer worked in the insurance profession before launching his own real estate company in 1963; returning to his alma mater to attend graduate school, he completed an MBA degree in real estate in 1966 and, over the course of the next four decades, went on to distinguish himself as a highly respected real estate professional; and

WHEREAS, A former president of the Texas Association of Realtors and a director and three-time regional vice president of the National Association of Realtors, he was honored in 1998 by his peers with one of his profession's highest accolades, the National Association of Realtors Distinguished Service Award; he was a lifetime member of the Salesmanship Club of Dallas and an influential leader in the Dallas business community, contributing

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- $1\,$ $\,$ his time, talent, and resources to the Dallas Chamber of Commerce
- 2 and the SMU Edwin L. Cox School of Business; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Always finding time to attend his children's school
- 4 and sports events, he took great joy in their accomplishments at
- 5 every turn; in addition, he worked hard to make North Texas a better
- 6 place for all its residents, generously supporting the programs of
- 7 the Downtown Dallas Rotary Club and the Park Cities-North Dallas
- 8 YMCA, which in 2000 presented him with the Charles Seay Leadership
- 9 Award, and proudly serving as director of both Goodwill Industries
- of Dallas and the Dallas All Sports Association; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Those who had the great privilege of knowing
- 12 Mr. Wertheimer will never forget the enthusiasm he brought to each
- 13 facet of his life; although his presence is gone from us now, his
- 14 memory will endure in the hearts of all those whose lives he touched
- during his years on this earth; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 17 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 18 Bob Wertheimer and extend profound sympathy to the members of his
- 19 family: to his son, Bobby Wertheimer; to his stepdaughter, Rebecca
- 20 Wallace Daniel; to his stepson, Bruce Wallace; to his sister, Betty
- 21 Smith; to his grandchildren, Chase, Blake, and Cate Wertheimer; and
- 22 to the many other friends and relatives of this notable Park Cities
- 23 resident.