

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29

In Memory  
of  
Robert Parnell

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Waco in paying tribute to the life of Robert Parnell, who died on August 22, 2002, at the age of 76; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert Parnell was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, to William Rogers and Ina Crosby Parnell, on July 19, 1926; and

**WHEREAS**, He attended Texas A&M University and graduated from Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, Louisiana; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Parnell shared a loving marriage of 45 years with Patricia Manning Parnell, and the couple was blessed with three children and four grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, His entire career was spent as a loyal and dedicated employee of T. L. James and Company, Incorporated, of Ruston; he retired as vice president of the business in 1991; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his life, Mr. Parnell took seriously his right to express his point of view; over the years, he gained the reputation as the most prolific writer of witty and acerbic letters to the editor that ever appeared on the pages of the *Waco Tribune-Herald*; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert Parnell lived his life to the fullest and was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas,  
78th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby extend sincere  
condolences to the bereaved family of Robert Parnell: his wife,  
Patricia Manning Parnell; his daughter, Susan Parnell Mosley;  
his sons, Leslie Blake and Richard Charles Parnell; his  
grandchildren, Laura, James, and Matthew Mosley and Lydia Parnell;  
his sister, Marilyn Parnell Folger; his brothers, David, Jon Lee,  
and Ronald Patrick Parnell; and his many other beloved relatives;  
and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for  
the members of his family as an expression of deepest sympathy  
from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this  
day, it do so in memory of Robert Parnell.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the  
above Resolution was adopted by  
the Senate on September 19, 2003,  
by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate