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H.C.R. No. 258

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Paris, Texas, lost a beloved member of the community
2 with the passing of Daon Wall on December 17, 2001, at the age of 63;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, A loving husband and father, Mr. Wall was a civic
5 leader and co-owner of Wall Concrete Pipe, Inc.; elected to the
6 Paris Junior College Board of Regents in 1975, he served more than
7 15 years as its president and helped to form an alliance between the
8 Paris Junior College Foundation and the Paris Rotary Club, which
9 helped to greatly increase scholarship money for students; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Wall was instrumental in creating both the
11 signature red Stetson cowboy hat that sits atop the city's
12 miniature Eiffel Tower and the life-size sculpture of Pyro the
13 Dragon, Paris Junior College's famed mascot; beloved by the
14 residents of Paris, these local treasures have become visual
15 representations of the town culture; and

16 WHEREAS, An All-American football player who attended Paris
17 Junior College on a football scholarship, he graduated from Austin
18 College before returning to Paris and making it his home; those who
19 had the privilege of knowing him will not soon forget his generous
20 spirit and the lasting contributions he made to his community; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the 78th Texas Legislature hereby honor the
23 life of Daon Wall and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his
24 family: to his wife, Pat Wall; to his daughter and son-in-law,

1 Leslie and Ken White; to his son, Brian Wall; to his mother, Karnese
2 Wall; to his grandchildren, Laura White, Courtney White, and Evelyn
3 Wall; to his brother, Donald Wall; and to his many friends; and, be
4 it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
7 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
8 Daon Wall.