

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of Robert Earl Barfield of  
2 Pasadena were deeply saddened by the passing of this notable Texan  
3 on May 26, 2002, at the age of 83; and

4           WHEREAS, Born on February 13, 1919, in Brunson, Mr. Barfield  
5 attended college at Sam Houston State University, where he lettered  
6 in track, tennis, basketball, and football; graduating in 1940, he  
7 subsequently earned a master of education degree from the  
8 University of Houston; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Barfield began his coaching career at Cedar  
10 Bayou and later held positions in Corrigan, Rosenberg, and Robstown  
11 before he left to enter the United States military; and

12           WHEREAS, After serving his country, Mr. Barfield returned to  
13 Cedar Bayou for seven years and led his team to five straight  
14 district football titles; he joined the staff at Baylor University  
15 in 1954 and was working as backfield coach when the Bears upset a  
16 previously undefeated Tennessee team in the Sugar Bowl in 1957; and

17           WHEREAS, Mr. Barfield then settled in Pasadena, where he  
18 coached the Pasadena High School football team for 15 years; in his  
19 first year, he took the Eagles to the state finals, beginning a  
20 tradition of success for which he is known to this day; this revered  
21 coach concluded his career as assistant athletic director of the  
22 Pasadena Independent School District (ISD), a position from which  
23 he retired in 1977; and

24           WHEREAS, Throughout his lifetime, Coach Barfield received

1 myriad accolades; in 1965 he was chosen to lead the South Football  
2 All-Stars, and in 1994 he was inducted into the Texas High School  
3 Coaches Association Hall of Honor; a notable college athlete  
4 himself, Mr. Barfield was also inducted into the Sam Houston State  
5 University Hall of Honor and chosen to serve as president of the  
6 Letterman's Association; and

7 WHEREAS, Perhaps his greatest public honor came in 1998, when  
8 the Pasadena ISD recognized his exemplary standards as an educator,  
9 coach, and gentleman with the dedication of the Robert E. Barfield  
10 Sports Complex; and

11 WHEREAS, In addition to his professional success, Mr.  
12 Barfield was a devoted husband, caring father and grandfather, and  
13 valued citizen in his community; a Rotary Club member for many years  
14 and a Paul Harris Fellow, he made many worthwhile contributions  
15 while serving on the club's board of directors; and

16 WHEREAS, Admired for his personal integrity, dedication to  
17 education, and excellence in coaching, Mr. Barfield will be greatly  
18 missed but fondly remembered, and his spirit will long live on in  
19 the hearts of the family, friends, and countless former students  
20 whose lives he so deeply touched; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
22 Legislature hereby honor the memory of Robert Earl Barfield and  
23 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife  
24 of 61 years, Emma Marie Brame Barfield; to his sons and  
25 daughters-in-law, Danny and Diane Barfield and Gary and Sharon  
26 Barfield; to his grandchildren, Tiffany Barfield, Derek Barfield,  
27 and Robert Barfield and his wife, Jennifer; to his brothers and

1 their wives, Harold and Mattie Mae Barfield, Billy Ray and Jean  
2 Barfield, Curtis and Cecile Barfield, and Hinson and Andrea  
3 Barfield; to his brother-in-law, Dr. Jim Bob Brame and his wife,  
4 Holly; to his numerous nieces and nephews; and to his other  
5 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

6         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House  
8 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Robert  
9 Earl Barfield.

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Craddick	Giddings	Merritt
Allen	Goodman	Miller
Alonzo	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
Bailey	Griggs	Moreno of El Paso
Baxter	Grusendorf	Morrison
Berman	Guillen	Mowery
Bohac	Gutierrez	Naishtat
Bonnen	Haggerty	Nixon
Branch	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Kaufman	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Brazos	Hardcastle	Olivo
Burnam	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Callegari	Hartnett	Pena
Campbell	Heflin	Phillips
Canales	Hegar	Pickett
Capelo	Hilderbran	Pitts
Casteel	Hill	Puente
Castro	Hochberg	Quintanilla
Chavez	Hodge	Rangel
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Christian	Hope	Reyna
Coleman	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Navarro	Howard	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Hughes	Rodriguez
Corte	Hunter	Rose
Crabb	Hupp	Seaman
Crownover	Isett	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Harris	Jones of Lubbock	Smith of Harris
Davis of Dallas	Jones of Bexar	Smithee
Dawson	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Delisi	Keel	Solomons
Denny	Keffer of Dallas	Stick
Deshotel	Keffer of Eastland	Swinford
Driver	King	Talton
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Dunnam	Krusee	Telford
Dutton	Kuempel	Thompson
Edwards	Laney	Truitt
Eiland	Laubenberg	Turner
Eissler	Lewis	Uresti
Elkins	Luna	Van Arsdale
Ellis	Mabry	Villarreal
Farabee	Madden	West
Farrar	Marchant	Wilson
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wise
Flynn	McCall	Wohlgemuth
Gallego	McClendon	Wolens
Garza	McReynolds	Wong
Gattis	Menendez	Woolley
Geren	Mercer	Zedler

H.R. No. 36

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 36 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 12, 2003.

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Chief Clerk of the House