

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Charles Edward Lester of Dallas on
2 October 8, 2002, has deeply saddened the family and many friends of
3 this beloved gentleman; and

4 WHEREAS, A native Texan, he was born on April 24, 1938, in
5 Scottsville, to Ezra and Vida Whiten Lester; he graduated from
6 George Washington Carver High School in Karnack, attended Wiley
7 College in Marshall, and served his country with distinction as a
8 member of the armed forces; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Lester and his wife, Joyce, enjoyed a warm and
10 fulfilling marriage that was based on a solid foundation of mutual
11 love, trust, and respect; a devoted family man, Mr. Lester took
12 great pride in his two daughters and seven grandchildren; and

13 WHEREAS, Baptized at James Chapel Baptist Church in Marshall,
14 he was a faithful congregant of Good Street Baptist Church and
15 joyfully participated with the deacon board, male chorus, Ollie Lee
16 Scruggs Sanctuary Choir, Sunday school department, and brotherhood
17 department; and

18 WHEREAS, Though Charles Edward Lester is profoundly missed,
19 the memory of his devotion and service to others will surely live on
20 in the hearts and minds of the many people whose lives he touched;
21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Charles Edward Lester
24 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his

1 wife, Joyce M. Lester; to his daughters and sons-in-law, Cornelia
2 and Dennis Law and Lolita and Benji Newman; to his grandchildren,
3 Cornell King, Weldon Wright, Melcena Wright, Elizabeth Law,
4 Harrison Law, Shannon Lofton, and Kimyatta Brent; to his brother,
5 William Howard Lester; to his sisters, Tommie D. Singleton, Doris
6 M. Herod, Lois M. Tatum, Essie O. Johnson, Frankie J. Lester,
7 Dorothy L. Evans, and Essie B. Taylor; and to his many other
8 relatives and friends; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Charles
12 Edward Lester.

Jones of Dallas

H.R. No. 205

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 205 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 28, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House