

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Jay D. Ransom of Atlanta, Texas, on
2 March 10, 2003, at the age of 59, has deeply saddened his family and
3 many friends; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on March 18, 1943, in Little Rock, Arkansas,
5 Mr. Ransom liked to joke that, though he wasn't a native Texan, he
6 got here as quickly as he could and never left; he was an honors
7 graduate of Atlanta High School and furthered his education at
8 Texarkana College and The University of Texas at Austin, which
9 awarded him his law degree in 1975; and

10 WHEREAS, This patriotic gentleman earned the rank of
11 lieutenant colonel while serving his country as a member of the
12 United States Army from 1966 to 1970 during the Vietnam War; a
13 member of the United States Army Reserves until 1994, he was again
14 called to service in 1991 during Desert Storm; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Ransom operated his own law office in Atlanta
16 and held the post of city judge for many years; he worked for the
17 betterment of his community not only through his profession, but
18 also through his involvement with various civic endeavors; he was a
19 life member of J. E. Manning American Legion Post No. 258 and had
20 been a member of the Atlanta Lions Club since 1975; and

21 WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed gentleman was a former
22 chair of the Cass County Republican Party and scoutmaster with Boy
23 Scout Troop 47, and he was a faithful congregant of First Baptist
24 Church; and

1 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to share the friendship of
2 Jay Ransom will long miss his presence, and he will surely be
3 remembered with great affection and admiration for many years to
4 come; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the memory of Jay D. Ransom and extend
7 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Margaret
8 Thompson Ransom; to his son, Travis Ransom, and his wife, Emily; to
9 his daughter, Jennifer Ransom Rice, and her husband, Chuck; to his
10 grandson, Jay Coyt Ransom; to his mother-in-law, Ledelle Thompson;
11 and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
14 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jay D.
15 Ransom.

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H.R. No. 494

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 494 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 13, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House