

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of former State Representative Robert G.
2 Bush III on May 14, 2002, at the age of 66, has brought a great loss
3 to the community of Sherman as well as to the citizens of the Lone
4 Star State, whom he so faithfully served during his decade-long
5 tenure in the Texas House of Representatives; and

6 WHEREAS, Born in Kansas City, Missouri, Mr. Bush received
7 degrees from the University of Kansas and Southern Methodist
8 University before embarking on a successful legal career in
9 Sherman; this distinguished attorney was elected to the legislature
10 of his adopted state in 1976 and quickly established himself as a
11 leader of integrity, intelligence, and compassion; and

12 WHEREAS, Representative Bush was appointed to three
13 consecutive terms as chair of the House Judiciary Committee and was
14 twice unanimously elected by his peers to serve as house majority
15 leader; selected to serve as the first master of discovery in an
16 election contest conducted by the Texas Legislature,
17 Representative Bush was responsible for the passage of significant
18 legislation as well, including a landmark measure modifying the
19 Texas Natural Death Act, which enabled terminally ill patients to
20 make oral directives regarding their desire to have life-sustaining
21 procedures withheld; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Bush was also committed to protecting our
23 state's youngest citizens; honored in 1985 by the State Bar of Texas
24 as one of the Ten Best Legislators from a Family Law Perspective, he

1 helped found the Sherman Boys and Girls Club and served as chairman
2 of the Grayson County Child Welfare Board; and

3 WHEREAS, Widely respected in his profession, Mr. Bush served
4 on numerous committees of the State Bar of Texas and held the post
5 of associate director of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association; he
6 shared his expertise with others as a law instructor at Grayson
7 County College, as a speaker at various legal conferences, and as a
8 contributor to the *Texas Trial Lawyers Forum*, the *Texas Bar*
9 *Journal*, and the *Texas Observer*; and

10 WHEREAS, Over the course of his career as an attorney, civic
11 leader, and state representative, Mr. Bush was supported by his
12 beloved wife, Wanda, with whom he shared his life for four decades;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, An extraordinarily accomplished and caring man, Bob
15 Bush worked tirelessly to build a strong, just society, and his
16 memory will long be cherished by all who were privileged to know
17 him; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
19 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of the Honorable
20 Robert G. Bush III and extend heartfelt sympathy to his wife, Wanda
21 Baker Bush, and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
22 further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for Mrs. Bush and that when the Texas House of
25 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of former
26 State Representative Bob Bush.

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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	Raymond
Chisum	Homer	Reyna
Christian	Hope	Riddle
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Cook of Navarro	Howard	Rodriguez
Cook of Colorado	Hughes	Rose
Corte	Hunter	Seaman
Crabb	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
Crownover	Isett	Smith of Harris
Davis of Harris	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Davis of Dallas	Jones of Bexar	Solis
Dawson	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
Delisi	Keel	Stick
Denny	Keffer of Dallas	Swinford
Deshotel	Keffer of Eastland	Talton
Driver	King	Taylor
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Telford
Dunnam	Krusee	Thompson
Dutton	Kuempel	Truitt
Edwards	Laney	Turner
Eiland	Laubenberg	Uresti
Eissler	Lewis	Van Arsdale
Elkins	Luna	Villarreal
Ellis	Mabry	West
Farabee	Madden	Wilson
Farrar	Marchant	Wise
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wohlgemuth
Flynn	McCall	Wolens
Gallego	McClendon	Wong
Garza	McReynolds	Woolley
Gattis	Menendez	Zedler
Geren	Mercer	

H.R. No. 669

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 669 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 3, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House