

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The passing of Gene Dinges of Houston on June 9,  
2 2005, at the age of 71, has brought a profoundly felt loss to the  
3 family and friends of this esteemed Texan; and

4           WHEREAS, Born on October 3, 1933, to Dillard and Dottie  
5 Dinges, Mr. Dinges graduated from Missouri City High School and  
6 attended Wharton County Junior College and Stephen F. Austin State  
7 University, where he completed his master's degree; and

8           WHEREAS, A longtime employee of Federal Tank Company who  
9 became the company's president, he was also a well-known rancher in  
10 the Fort Bend County area, where he had raised cattle since he was  
11 in the fifth grade; additionally he had been a coach, ably serving  
12 Center and Lufkin High Schools and Stephen F. Austin State  
13 University; and

14           WHEREAS, Mr. Dinges further distinguished himself through  
15 his involvement with a number of organizations; a life member of the  
16 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and the Fort Bend County Fair  
17 Association, he also gave of his time and talents to the Texas and  
18 Southwestern Cattleman's Association, Charolais Breeders  
19 Association, Stephen F. Austin State University Alumni and  
20 Letterman Associations, Wharton County Junior College Alumni and  
21 Letterman Associations, and Salt Grass Trail Riders Association; in  
22 addition, he was a buyer for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo,  
23 Fort Bend County Fair Association, Brazoria County Fair  
24 Association, and the Needville FFA Show; and

1           WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Gene Dinges  
2 will remember his devotion to his family as well as the kindness and  
3 wisdom he generously shared; although he will be sorely missed, he  
4 leaves behind a legacy to treasure for those who held him dear; now,  
5 therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
7 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
8 Gene Dinges and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his  
9 family: to his wife of 50 years, Sue Dinges; to his sons, Ron Dinges  
10 and his wife, Theresa, Don Dinges and his wife, Jeanne, Mike Dinges,  
11 and Bud Dinges; to his grandchildren, Kaleigh, Ashley, Alexandra,  
12 and Dillon Dinges; to his brothers, Dillard and Kenneth Dinges; and  
13 to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

14           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gene  
17 Dinges.

Howard

H.R. No. 215

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 215 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on July 17, 2005.

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Chief Clerk of the House