

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The citizens of Frisco lost an admired civic leader  
2 and valued friend with the passing of Dr. Erwin G. Pink on April 20,  
3 2006; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of Wichita Falls, Dr. Pink served his  
5 country with distinction in the medical corps of the U.S. Navy  
6 before earning his bachelor's degree from Midwestern University in  
7 1949; he went on to graduate from Southwestern Medical School in  
8 1953, arriving in Frisco the following year; and

9           WHEREAS, For 43 years, Dr. Pink ably addressed the medical  
10 needs of his community; a dedicated and caring physician, he  
11 consistently worked to provide the best health care possible to  
12 each of his patients; for nearly half of his career, he served as  
13 Frisco's only doctor, a responsibility he accepted with enthusiasm;  
14 and

15           WHEREAS, He operated the Frisco Medical Clinic until his  
16 retirement in 1997 and also lent his talents to the Frisco Raccoons,  
17 serving free of charge as the team's doctor; dubbed "Painless Pink"  
18 by the players, he was known for his ability to ease suffering and  
19 treat injuries quickly; and

20           WHEREAS, Dr. Smith made significant contributions to his  
21 adopted hometown in other capacities as well; a valued member of the  
22 Lions Club, he served on the Frisco ISD School Board for nearly two  
23 decades and was active in preserving community history through the  
24 Heritage Association of Frisco, which he co-founded and served as  
25 president; and

1           WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed Texan helped to bring the  
2 first major industry to town when he convinced the Gould battery  
3 recycling plant to locate in Frisco and arranged for the Frisco  
4 Railroad to donate the land on which the business would be built;  
5 and

6           WHEREAS, Dr. Pink's efforts in behalf of the city were lauded  
7 by his fellow citizens, who named an elementary school and a sports  
8 field in his honor; moreover, in 2004, he and his beloved wife,  
9 Elisabeth, earned the title of Living Legends from the Collin  
10 County Community College District Board of Trustees; and

11           WHEREAS, Few individuals have had such a profound and lasting  
12 impact on their communities as Dr. Pink, and although he will be  
13 greatly missed, those who were privileged to know this  
14 compassionate, generous man will forever carry his memory close in  
15 their hearts; now, therefore, be it

16           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
17 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
18 Dr. Erwin G. Pink and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his  
19 family: to his wife, Elisabeth Rue Pink; to his children, Susanne  
20 Cornelius, Janet Prejean, Mary Escobedo, and Philip Pink; to his  
21 seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and to his other  
22 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

23           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
25 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Erwin  
26 Pink.

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Craddick	Giddings	McReynolds
Allen	Gonzales	Menendez
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Merritt
Anchia	Goodman	Miller
Anderson	Goolsby	Moreno
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Blake	Guillen	Naishtat
Bohac	Haggerty	Nixon
Bonnen	Hamilton	Noriega
Branch	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Kaufman	Hardcastle	Olivo
Brown of Brazos	Harper-Brown	Orr
Burnam	Hartnett	Otto
Callegari	Hegar	Paxton
Campbell	Hernandez	Pena
Casteel	Herrero	Phillips
Castro	Hilderbran	Pickett
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Coleman	Hodge	Quintanilla
Cook of Navarro	Homer	Raymond
Cook of Colorado	Hope	Reyna
Corte	Hopson	Riddle
Crabb	Howard of Fort Bend	Ritter
Crownover	Howard of Travis	Rodriguez
Davis of Harris	Hughes	Rose
Davis of Dallas	Hunter	Seaman
Dawson	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
Delisi	Isett	Smith of Harris
Denny	Jackson	Smithee
Deshotel	Jones of Lubbock	Solis
Driver	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
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England	Kuempel	Turner
Escobar	Laney	Uresti
Farabee	Laubenberg	Van Arsdale
Farrar	Leibowitz	Veasey
Flores	Luna	Villarreal
Flynn	Madden	Vo
Frost	Martinez	West
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H.R. No. 315

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 315 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 3, 2006.

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Chief Clerk of the House