

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A loving family and many cherished friends mourn the  
2 passing of Thomas Earl Winters of Mills County on April 16, 2006;  
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4           WHEREAS, Born on May 17, 1934, on a ranch near Evant, Mr.  
5 Winters attended Texas A&M University, where he was a member of the  
6 Corps of Cadets; and

7           WHEREAS, He worked many years alongside his father and  
8 brother in the livestock industry; together, they owned and  
9 operated the Lampasas Livestock Auction in addition to numerous  
10 other auctions throughout Central Texas; they also raised and  
11 traded cattle, sheep, and goats in the Southwest and Midwest and  
12 operated ranches in Texas, New Mexico, Kansas, and Colorado; and

13           WHEREAS, During the 1970s, he and his brother-in-law, Billy  
14 Bob Barnett, owned and operated the Miller Beer Distributorship in  
15 Fort Worth and Dallas; in the early 1990s, Mr. Winters played a  
16 significant role in building and operating the Valley Greyhound  
17 Track in Harlingen, and he was involved in a number of other  
18 business ventures throughout the state; and

19           WHEREAS, He married Wynona Joan Barnett in 1955, and four  
20 years later, they purchased the C Bar Ranch in Mills County, which  
21 they made their lifelong home; and

22           WHEREAS, A devoted family man, successful rancher and  
23 businessman, and loyal friend, Thomas Earl Winters leaves behind a  
24 host of family members and friends who will long cherish their

1 memories of this distinguished Texan's intelligence, honesty, and  
2 wit; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
4 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
5 Thomas Earl Winters and extend sincere sympathy to the members of  
6 his family: to his wife of 50 years, Wynona Winters; to his  
7 daughters, Molly Earl Winters and Maggy Katherine Jones; to his  
8 grandchildren, Thomas Marshall Winters, Thomas Randolph Jones,  
9 Marla Katherine Jones, and Nicholas Alexander Jones; to his  
10 great-grandchild, Mia LaFrae Winters; to his brother, David William  
11 Winters; to his nephews, Thomas David Winters and John Carter  
12 Winters; to his granddaughter-in-law, Cheyenne M'Dee Winters; to  
13 his son-in-law, Craig Randolph Jones; and to his other relatives  
14 and friends; and, be it further

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

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| Craddick         | Giddings            | McReynolds       |
| Allen            | Gonzales            | Menendez         |
| Alonzo           | Gonzalez Toureilles | Merritt          |
| Anchia           | Goodman             | Miller           |
| Anderson         | Goolsby             | Moreno           |
| Bailey           | Griggs              | Morrison         |
| Berman           | Grusendorf          | Mowery           |
| 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          |
| Chavez           | Hill                | Pitts            |
| Chisum           | Hochberg            | Puente           |
| 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         |
| Dukes            | Keel                | Strama           |
| Dunnam           | Keffer of Dallas    | Straus           |
| Dutton           | Keffer of Eastland  | Swinford         |
| Edwards          | King of Parker      | Talton           |
| Eiland           | King of Zavala      | Taylor           |
| Eissler          | Kolkhorst           | Thompson         |
| Elkins           | Krusee              | Truitt           |
| England          | Kuempel             | Turner           |
| Escobar          | Laney               | Uresti           |
| Farabee          | Laubenberg          | Van Arsdale      |
| Farrar           | Leibowitz           | Veasey           |
| Flores           | Luna                | Villarreal       |
| Flynn            | Madden              | Vo               |
| Frost            | Martinez            | West             |
| Gallego          | Martinez Fischer    | Wong             |
| Gattis           | McCall              | Woolley          |
| Geren            | McClendon           | Zedler           |

H.R. No. 646

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 646 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 15, 2006.

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Chief Clerk of the House