

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The passing of Thomas Purcell McNair, Jr., on May 3,  
2 2006, deeply saddened the family and many friends of this beloved  
3 gentleman and renowned horseman; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Lakeland, Florida, Tom McNair graduated from  
5 Randolph-Henry High School in Charlotte Court House, Virginia,  
6 where he was an all-state basketball and football player; after  
7 serving in the U.S. Air Force for four years, he attended  
8 Hampden-Sydney College and later studied at Virginia Tech; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. McNair worked for 23 years as a manager-trainer  
10 for Glennloch Arabian Farms, establishing himself as one of the  
11 premier Arabian horsemen in the world and a recognized expert who  
12 freely shared his extensive knowledge with others; he garnered  
13 hundreds of regional, national, and international championships  
14 and is perhaps most widely remembered for his five national wins and  
15 numerous other championships with one of the top-winning Egyptian  
16 show horses of all time, \*SAKR+++; and

17           WHEREAS, Named the 1985 American Horse Show Association  
18 Horseman of the Year, Mr. McNair received lifetime achievement  
19 awards from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, the Pyramid  
20 Society, and the Arabian Professional and Amateur Horseman's  
21 Association; moreover, at the 2005 National Arabian Horse Show, he  
22 received a lifetime achievement award for his judging career, and  
23 he was selected to be in the first group of inductees into the  
24 American Horse Association Judges Hall of Fame; and

1           WHEREAS, Tom McNair's passion for horses was surpassed only  
2 by his love for his family and friends, and this wise and generous  
3 teacher will forever be remembered for the lessons he shared that  
4 touched the lives of those in the horse community and beyond; now,  
5 therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
7 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
8 Thomas Purcell McNair, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the  
9 members of his family: to his wife, Sylvia Jones McNair; to his  
10 son, Daniel McNair and his wife, Linda; to his daughter, Maggie  
11 McNair Huggins and her husband, Ben; to his brother, E. Chandler  
12 McNair and his wife, Claudia; to his grandchildren; to his former  
13 wife, Rhita McNair; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be  
14 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 Tom McNair.

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H.R. No. 763

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 763 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 15, 2006.

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Chief Clerk of the House