

By: Homer

H.C.R. No. 189

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, J. E. "Gene" Buster, a former Lamar County
2 commissioner, passed away on May 22, 2004, at the age of 75, leaving
3 his loved ones many happy memories to cherish from his long and
4 productive life; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on October 5, 1928, in Woodstown, Oklahoma, Mr.
6 Buster graduated from Central High School in Sumner in 1946 and went
7 on to earn degrees from Southern Methodist University and Lamar
8 Business College; he served in the U.S. Army from 1948 to 1954,
9 during which time he married Kikue Mori in Tokyo, Japan; and

10 WHEREAS, A dairy farmer and rancher, he owned and operated
11 the Buster Dairy Farm from 1956 to 1970 and later operated the
12 Country Store at Emberson; throughout his life, he always made time
13 to work in behalf of his fellow citizens in a variety of civic
14 endeavors; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Buster was the Lamar County commissioner of
16 Precinct 3 from 1977 to 1988 and again from 1992 to 1996, and he was
17 recognized as a dedicated public servant by his peers in the
18 community; he enjoyed membership with the Lamar County Chamber of
19 Commerce, the Lamar County Democratic Party, and the Veterans of
20 Foreign Wars of the United States and Lamar County, and he also
21 served as president of the Mount Tabor Cemetery Association; and

22 WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman was affiliated with Odd
23 Fellows, the Lions Club, the Red River Valley Fair Association, and
24 the Lamar Point Volunteer Fire Department; he was also active in the

1 Boy Scouts of America, 4-H, the Senior Citizen Board, and Sumner
2 United Methodist Church, where he served as a trustee and as a
3 member of the Methodist Men of North Lamar Parish; and

4 WHEREAS, A loving husband and a devoted father and
5 grandfather, Gene Buster was that rare individual who put the needs
6 of others above his own personal needs, and although he is dearly
7 missed by his family and friends, his spirit lives on through his
8 myriad contributions to his community and his fellow citizens; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas
11 hereby pay tribute to the life of J. E. "Gene" Buster and extend
12 deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Mori; to
13 his sons and daughters-in-law, Russell and Linda Buster and Roy and
14 Carol Buster; to his grandchildren, Mori and Jeb Buster; to his
15 sisters and brothers-in-law, Helen and Bill Hickman, Janice and Roy
16 Winford, and Linda Reynolds; to his brother, Jack Buster; and to the
17 many other relatives and friends of this esteemed gentleman; and,
18 be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
21 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
22 J. E. "Gene" Buster.