

By: Berman

H.R. No. 630

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of A. D. Clark, Jr., of Tyler,  
2 were deeply saddened by the passing of this distinguished Texan on  
3 February 18, 2005, at the age of 86; and

4           WHEREAS, Born on June 20, 1918, in Van, Mr. Clark moved with  
5 his family to Tyler in 1930; he attended Tyler High School, where he  
6 played football, and then earned his law degree and a bachelor of  
7 business administration degree from The University of Texas at  
8 Austin; he was an honorary member of Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity  
9 and a member of the Kappa Sigma Phi social fraternity; and

10           WHEREAS, After serving as a military intelligence agent  
11 during World War II, he returned to Tyler and practiced law for 55  
12 years; he was also involved in ranching, real estate, and the oil  
13 and gas industry; and

14           WHEREAS, A notable community leader, he served on the Tyler  
15 Junior College (TJC) Board of Trustees from 1951 to 2002, the  
16 longest tenure of any TJC trustee; in 2000, he received the  
17 prestigious Black and Gold Award, which recognizes outstanding  
18 devotion to TJC by an individual who is not a former student; and

19           WHEREAS, Mr. Clark was also a life tenure member of the Marvin  
20 United Methodist Church Administrative Board; he belonged to the  
21 TJC Foundation, the Masonic Lodge, and the boards of Lindale State  
22 Bank and Rose Capital Bank; and

23           WHEREAS, Mr. Clark is a man whose contributions to the  
24 quality of education in East Texas will continue to benefit

1 students for many generations; although he is deeply missed, his  
2 memory will live on in the hearts of those whose lives he so richly  
3 blessed; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of A. D. Clark, Jr., and  
6 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife  
7 of 35 years, Bernice McDaniel Clark; to his sons and their wives,  
8 A. D. Clark III and Judge Carole Clark and Bill and Andi Clark; to  
9 his daughters, Nancy Miller Clark and Jenny Clark; to his sister,  
10 Edith Clark Chilcote; to his grandchildren, Matthew Thomas Clark,  
11 Meredith Virginia Clark, Jeffrey Thomas Riebe, and Elizabeth Leigh  
12 Riebe; and to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it  
13 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 A. D.  
17 Clark, Jr.