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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, With the passing of Dwaine A. Johnson on January 18,  
2 2005, at the age of 76, the world has lost an able entrepreneur, an  
3 eloquent advocate, and a loving husband, father, and grandfather,  
4 and we join his family and friends in mourning their loss; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson was born in Mondamin, Iowa, and served  
6 in the United States Air Force from 1950 to 1954, earning the  
7 National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal; and

8           WHEREAS, A successful business owner, he cofounded the  
9 Overhead Door Company of Fort Worth in 1968 and was the proprietor  
10 of that concern until 1989; and

11           WHEREAS, It was during this period that he began his  
12 involvement in the political life of his community; he represented  
13 District 3 on the Fort Worth City Council from 1981 to 1985 and was  
14 instrumental in the development of the Dallas-Fort Worth  
15 International Airport and the Trinity Railway project; and

16           WHEREAS, A familiar and welcome presence at the State  
17 Capitol, he served as Tarrant County's first legislative  
18 consultant, and he was the organizer of the Texas Speaker's Golf  
19 Tournament; and

20           WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished career, he was  
21 sustained and supported by the love of his family, and his absence  
22 from their midst is deeply felt, even as his memory continues to  
23 shine brightly in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dwaine A. Johnson of  
2 Fort Worth and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family:  
3 to his wife, Gayle Johnson; to his sons and daughters-in-law,  
4 Steven and Patricia Johnson and Kelly and Alyssa Johnson; to his  
5 granddaughters, Stephanie, Susan, and Andrea; to his siblings,  
6 Merlin, Quentin, Stan, and Jan; and to the other members of his  
7 family and his many friends; and, be it further

8         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dwaine A.  
11 Johnson.