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H.R. No. 805

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends deeply mourn the passing of
2 Richard "Rick" Monroe Pruett of Sherman, who died on February 28,
3 2005, at the age of 59; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Pruett was born on July 22, 1945, in Morrilton,
5 Arkansas, to Monroe E. Pruett and Ruth Pruett; he graduated from
6 Point Loma High School in San Diego, California; and

7 WHEREAS, Sergeant Pruett served honorably in the United
8 States Army from 1968 to 1970; he was critically injured during
9 combat in the Vietnam War and was awarded two Purple Hearts as a
10 result of his wounds; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Pruett worked as a contractor and owned Pruett
12 Construction Company in San Diego, California; on April 2, 1988, he
13 married his soul mate, Ann Wahlen, in Julian, California, and they
14 retired to Sherman in 1992; and

15 WHEREAS, Possessing a generous spirit and a great sense of
16 humor, Mr. Pruett was quick to help anyone in need, and he was loved
17 by all who knew him; Mr. Pruett was a longtime member of Western
18 Heights Church of Christ in Sherman, where he actively participated
19 in many activities, made numerous friends, and was admired for his
20 strong Christian faith; and

21 WHEREAS, Despite his war injuries, which affected his health,
22 Mr. Pruett continued to live life to the fullest, inspiring many
23 with his courage and strong will, and his spirit will continue to
24 live in the hearts of those who were fortunate enough to have known

1 him; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Monroe Pruett
4 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
5 wife of 16 years, Ann; to his mother, Ruth Pruett; to his sisters,
6 Janice Ruth Pruett and Rita Kay Desaire and her husband, Mike; to
7 his daughters, Lori Sazej and her husband, Shahin, Amy Coffman, and
8 Sandi Key and her husband, David; to his five grandchildren, Sean,
9 Chase, Harrison, Lindzee, and Kaylee; to his nephews, Chris Gouveia
10 and Ron Neville; to his nieces, Jill Salvati and Nancy Wolf; and to
11 his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Rick
15 Pruett.