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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of many joyful moments and meaningful
2 accomplishments may comfort the family and friends of *Barnie Ray*
3 *Jones of Odessa*, who passed away on November 29, 2004, at the age of
4 78; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on May 27, 1926, in Big Spring, Mr. Jones moved
6 to Odessa in 1942 and worked in the oil fields until he co-founded
7 *Jones Bros Dirt & Paving Contractors, Inc.*, in 1952; he served as
8 area chair of the West Texas Association of General Contractors of
9 America, state director of Associated General Contractors, and
10 director of three area banks and of the Sandhills Hereford and
11 Quarter Horse Show; and

12 WHEREAS, An active community leader, this esteemed gentleman
13 was an avid supporter of The University of Texas of the Permian
14 Basin and Odessa College; no stranger to accolades, he was named the
15 Small Business Person of the Year by the Odessa Chamber of Commerce
16 and Boss of the Year by the American Business Women's Association;
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18 WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was a member of Temple Baptist Church, and
19 he enjoyed hunting, fishing, ranching, and spending time with his
20 friends, who appreciated his loyalty and generous spirit; and

21 WHEREAS, *Barnie Ray Jones* was an active and respected member
22 of his community, and he is deeply missed by all those who were
23 privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

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

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Barnie Ray Jones and
2 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
3 LaCretia; to his sons, Rex Chitty, Justin Jones, Kirk Chitty, and
4 Kyle Chitty; to his daughter, Tammie Jones; to his seven
5 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; to his brothers, Troy
6 and Earl Jones; to his nieces and nephews; and to his other
7 relatives and 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 Barnie Ray
11 Jones.