

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A prominent figure in the field of journalism in
2 Houston for the past three decades, Ed Wendt, passed away on May 26,
3 2005, at the age of 55; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Wendt was a journalist of passion and energy;
5 endowed with unbridled enthusiasm for causes in which he believed,
6 he consistently used his talents and intelligence to report on
7 issues of great import to his fellow Texans; and

8 WHEREAS, Through his coverage, this notable Texan fought for
9 meaningful change in his community, never backing down from a
10 challenge in his lifelong pursuit of social justice; he was a
11 frequent presence at City Hall, while he also turned his
12 considerable talent toward such vital issues as the First Amendment
13 and civil rights; and

14 WHEREAS, Though his strong convictions often placed him in an
15 adversarial position during his lifetime, his talent as a
16 journalist gained him acclaim in the *Wall Street Journal* as well as
17 recognition by the Houston Press Club when he was named the 1998
18 Print Journalist of the Year; and

19 WHEREAS, Ed Wendt informed and enlightened countless
20 citizens throughout his career, and he leaves behind a personal
21 legacy of strength, independence, and determination that will not
22 soon be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Ed Wendt and extend

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1 deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his brother, Jack
2 Robert Wendt; to his sister, Rebecca Demarais, and her husband,
3 Rock; to his niece and nephew; and to his other relatives and
4 friends; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ed Wendt.

Dutton
Edwards
Turner

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2288 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 30, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House