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H.C.R. No. 53

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and  
2 meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and friends of  
3 the Honorable Bob Cummings of Gatesville, former justice of the  
4 Tenth Court of Appeals, who passed away on January 20, 2007; and

5           WHEREAS, Born on August 7, 1936, to Ernest Lee and Mattie  
6 Manning Cummings, Bob Cummings served his country as a member of the  
7 U.S. Air Force Reserve; he was a graduate of The University of Texas  
8 and earned his juris doctorate from Baylor Law School in 1962; and

9           WHEREAS, This notable Texan had a varied and successful  
10 career, including tenures as a sixth grade teacher at Gatesville  
11 Elementary School, an agent for Cummings Insurance Agency, and an  
12 assistant city attorney for the City of Waco; he practiced law  
13 privately for 10 years before serving as district attorney and then  
14 district judge of the 52nd Judicial District, and in 1991, he  
15 accepted responsibilities as a justice of the Tenth Court of  
16 Appeals, retiring from the position in 1998; and

17           WHEREAS, Through the years, Justice Cummings gave generously  
18 of his time and talents to civic and professional organizations;  
19 benefiting from his membership were the Baylor Law Review  
20 Association, 52nd Judicial District Bar Association, Waco-McLennan  
21 County Bar Association, and State Bar of Texas, as well as the  
22 Gatesville Lions Club, Gatesville Exchange Club, American Legion  
23 Post No. 42, Gatesville Masonic Lodge No. 197, A.F. & A.M., and Waco  
24 Scottish Rite and York Rite Bodies; and

1           WHEREAS, A true and faithful friend to many, a devoted  
2 companion to his wife, and a caring father and adored grandfather,  
3 Justice Cummings will be deeply missed, but he will always be  
4 remembered with great admiration and affection; now, therefore, be  
5 it

6           RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas  
7 hereby pay tribute to the life of former Tenth Court of Appeals  
8 Justice Bob Cummings and extend sympathy to the members of his  
9 family: to his wife of 43 years, Joy Cummings; to his children,  
10 Meredith Stephens and her husband, Jamey, Lindsey Cummings and his  
11 wife, Susan, and Eric Cummings and his wife, Tori; to his  
12 grandchildren, William Justice Stephens and Caroline, Claire,  
13 Colton, and Lindsey Ann Cummings; to his sister, Patsy Wheat and her  
14 husband, G. R.; to his sister-in-law, Ruth Cummings; and to his  
15 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

16           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
18 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
19 Justice Bob Cummings.