By: Darby H.R. No. 367

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texans lost a notable public servant with the death 2 of Winfree L. Brown of Christoval, who passed away on September 3,

3 2006, at the age of 79; and

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WHEREAS, A native of Christoval, Mr. Brown served his country during World War II as a member of the U.S. Navy; he attended North Texas State College, now the University of North Texas (UNT), and earned a bachelor's degree in business administration; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional civic leader was the first UNT alumnus to become chairman of the school's board of regents, serving in that position from 1979 to 1985; he was elected to the Midland County Commissioners Court in 1970 and served as a commissioner for 24 years; additionally, he was appointed by Governor Rick Perry to the Upper Colorado River Authority and requested by President George W. Bush to participate in the White House Conference on Aging; Mr. Brown's professional career involved land management and independent work in the oil and gas industries; and

WHEREAS, Winfree Brown built a life that was rich in family, friends, and achievements, and his many efforts in behalf of his community and this state will not be soon forgotten; he will be deeply missed, but he will always be remembered with great respect and admiration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Winfree L. Brown and

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- 1 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 2 Lou Brown; to his children, Lesley B. Hancock, Barbara L. Thompson,
- 3 Nancy T. Walker, Theresa B. Cortez, and Russell K. and Karl B.
- 4 Brown; to his grandchildren, Justin, Kathleen, Hannah, John, Peter,
- 5 Christine, Karl, and Gehrig; to his brother, Daniel F. Brown; and to
- 6 his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Winfree L.
- 10 Brown.