

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The state of Texas has lost a deeply respected
2 artist and professor with the passing of Robert Charles Hext on
3 February 11, 2007, at the age of 58; and

4 WHEREAS, Born and raised in Canada, Bob Hext came to Texas to
5 attend Stephen F. Austin State University, earning his B.S., M.A.,
6 and M.F.A. degrees there; he was hired as an instructor at Sul Ross
7 State University in 1974 and rose through the faculty ranks to
8 become chair of the art department in 1989; and

9 WHEREAS, Listed in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, this
10 dedicated professor believed in exploring the world beyond the four
11 walls of a classroom and, to that end, led his students on art tours
12 through West Texas and Europe; moreover, he was an international
13 expert in the field of Paleolithic cave art in Northern Spain and
14 fought to preserve regional rock art for future generations; and

15 WHEREAS, A gifted sculptor, Mr. Hext worked primarily with
16 wood, but he was also known for the metal "cowboy" sculptures that
17 grace various locations throughout Alpine, including the front of
18 the city's chamber of commerce office; and

19 WHEREAS, Bob Hext was a man of tremendous talent who
20 distinguished himself as an artist, an international scholar, and
21 an innovative professor at Sul Ross, and his remarkable life is
22 indeed worthy of praise; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Robert Charles Hext

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1 and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his
2 wife, Kristi Hext; to his daughters, Ashley Baker and her husband,
3 Will, and Andrea Rudolph and her husband, Mike; to his
4 grandchildren, Berkley and Fisher Baker; to his brother, Phil Love;
5 and to all who mourn the passing of this esteemed artist and
6 educator; 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 Robert
10 Charles Hext.

Gallego

Craddick	Gattis	Miles
Allen	Geren	Miller
Alonzo	Giddings	Moreno
Anchia	Gonzales	Morrison
Anderson	Gonzalez Toureilles	Mowery
Aycock	Goolsby	Murphy
Bailey	Guillen	Naishtat
Berman	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	O'Day
Bolton	Hancock	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hardcastle	Olivo
Branch	Harless	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Otto
Burnam	Heflin	Parker
Callegari	Hernandez	Patrick
Castro	Herrero	Paxton
Chavez	Hilderbran	Pena
Chisum	Hill	Phillips
Christian	Hochberg	Pickett
Cohen	Hodge	Pierson
Coleman	Homer	Pitts
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Puente
Cook of Colorado	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Corte	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Crabb	Hughes	Riddle
Creighton	Isett	Ritter
Crownover	Jackson	Rodriguez
Darby	Jones	Rose
Davis of Harris	Keffer	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Parker	Smith of Harris
Delisi	King of Taylor	Smithee
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Solomons
Driver	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dukes	Krusee	Straus
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Latham	Talton
Eiland	Laubenberg	Taylor
Eissler	Leibowitz	Thompson
Elkins	Lucio III	Truitt
England	Macias	Turner
Escobar	Madden	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Mallory Caraway	Vaught
Farias	Martinez	Veasey
Farrar	Martinez Fischer	Villarreal
Flores	McCall	Vo
Flynn	McClendon	West
Frost	McReynolds	Woolley
Gallego	Menendez	Zedler
Garcia	Merritt	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 742 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 28, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House