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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with many joyful times and 2 meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and friends of 3 the Honorable Richard Allen Waterfield of Canadian and Austin, who 4 passed away on February 26, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of the Lone Star State, Dick Waterfield was 6 born on August 24, 1939, in Canadian, and he graduated from the 7 local high school before attending Oklahoma State University, where 8 he was a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Waterfield's love of the Texas plains led him to 9 become owner and operator of Waterfield Ranch in Hemphill County; 10 his other business ventures included Canadian Feed Yards, Inc., 11 12 Waterworks Productions, Waterfield and Associates, Inc., and Longfield Farm; he also had a passion for horse racing and owned a 13 14 number of successful horses, including one Kentucky Derby 15 contender; and

16 WHEREAS, An active civic leader, he served on the board of 17 directors of the First State Bank of Canadian, N.A., and shared his 18 time with the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, which he served as 19 president; and

20 WHEREAS, In 1986, Mr. Waterfield was elected to the Texas 21 House of Representatives; during his notable tenure representing 22 the citizens of District 88, he served on the Agriculture and 23 Livestock, Human Services, and Rules and Resolutions Committees, 24 and his distinguished service earned him recognition as Outstanding

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1 Freshman Legislator; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Waterfield also served his fellow residents as 3 deputy secretary of agriculture and helped to establish the Texas 4 Agricultural Finance Authority; and

5 WHEREAS, One of his most rewarding roles later in life was 6 that of a dedicated volunteer for Meals on Wheels and More; a member of the organization's board of directors since 2001 and secretary 7 8 of the board since 2005, he delivered meals to more than 30 9 homebound Central Texans each week, shopped for groceries, drove 10 clients to medical appointments, and was a phone friend; he was also integral in the founding of Healthy Options Program for the 11 Elderly, which teamed Meals on Wheels and More with the Capital Area 12 Food Bank; in recognition of his contributions, he was named 2006 13 14 Volunteer of the Year; and

15 WHEREAS, Dick Waterfield set an outstanding example of 16 citizenship and service to others, and though his leadership and 17 generosity will be greatly missed, he will always be remembered 18 with sincere affection and admiration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 19 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Allen 20 21 Waterfield and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Brenda; to his son, R. Bruce Waterfield and his 22 partner, Robert D. Raab; to his daughter, R. Gwyn Waterfield; to his 23 24 brother, Jim B. Waterfield and his wife, Sandy; to Gail Lavin 25 Waterfield; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it 26 further

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RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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H.R. No. 793 1 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Richard 3 Allen Waterfield.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 793 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 28, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House