

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Frank Edward Parker of Center died on February 12,
2 2007, and his passing has left a void in the lives of his family
3 members and in the community he so treasured; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Center to Fornie and Aileen Runnels Parker
5 on October 19, 1924, F. E. Parker was an esteemed businessman and
6 civic leader who took pride and pleasure in his efforts to benefit
7 his hometown; and

8 WHEREAS, A 1941 graduate of Center High School, Mr. Parker
9 attended Stephen F. Austin State University and Texas A&M
10 University before earning a degree from The University of Texas at
11 Austin in 1949; he proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy
12 during World War II; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Parker was active in a number of businesses and
14 real estate ventures, most notably as the owner of Parker Motor
15 Company, and he sat on the boards of Guaranty Bond Bank, Farmers
16 State Bank, and Shelby Savings Bank; he also had served as president
17 of the Center Chamber of Commerce and Fair Association,
18 commissioner on the Sabine River Compact Commission, member of the
19 board of the Center Rotary Club, and member of the Center School
20 Board; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Parker was a lifelong member of the First United
22 Methodist Church of Center and served on the church's board of
23 stewards for a number of years; moreover, he cofounded the Center
24 Country Club and enjoyed membership in Sam Samford Masonic Lodge

1 No. 149 and the Sharon Shrine Temple; and

2 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to the welfare of area high school
3 students, Mr. Parker played a key role in the creation of the
4 Roughrider Scholarship Foundation, a fund designed to support the
5 goals of Center students pursuing higher education; his other true
6 passion was hunting, and he shared many fulfilling adventures,
7 including several African safaris, with his "huntin' buddies"; and

8 WHEREAS, F. E. Parker was a man of generosity and integrity
9 whose strength of character and zest for life inspired those around
10 him, and his legacy of achievement and success will not soon be
11 forgotten; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Frank Edward Parker
14 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
15 wife of 60 years, Doris Massey Parker; to his children and their
16 spouses, Pam and William Harrison Wall, Patti and James Boyd
17 Peterson, and Frank E. Parker, Jr., and Cheryl Parker; to his
18 grandchildren, William Harrison "Tripp" Wall III and his wife,
19 Anna, Treven Parker Wall and his wife, Alison, Claiborn Massey
20 Peterson and his wife, Katie, Pamela Aileen Peterson, Winter
21 Patricia Wall, Frank E. "Trey" Parker III, and Bolt Houston Parker;
22 to his brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Letitia Parker; to his
23 great-grandchildren, Adelyn Stratton Wall, Kathrin Ann Peterson,
24 and Peter Merriman Wall; to his beloved nieces and nephews; and to
25 his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

26 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
27 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of

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1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Frank
2 Edward Parker.

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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. 969 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 29, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House