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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and 2 meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and many friends of Lester Massey of Dallas, who passed away on March 7, 2007; and 3 WHEREAS, A veteran of the United States Air Force, "Buck" 4 5 Massey served his country in the Vietnam War and went on to pursue a 6 career with the U.S. Postal Service, retiring in 2005; and WHEREAS, Mr. Massey's most prominent role was that of 7 political activist; he was a leader in the Stonewall Democrats of 8 Dallas, the city's largest gay and lesbian political group, serving 9 as chair of political affairs and on the organization's national 10 board; in addition, he was elected to the State Democratic 11 12 Executive Committee, served on the board of the J. P. Joyce 13 Committee Vote Foundation, and was a member of the County Executive 14 Committee for the Dallas County Democratic Party; and 15 WHEREAS, Highly regarded as a mentor, Mr. Massey worked with the Stonewall Young Democrats of Dallas, encouraging members to 16 vote, and further shared his time with efforts to help those whose 17 18 lives had been affected by HIV and AIDS; and WHEREAS, Well-known for his outgoing personality and his 19 singular style, Buck Massey was a passionate force for change and an 20 21 eloquent advocate for gay and lesbian rights, and he leaves behind a 22 legacy that will continue to benefit the lives of countless Texans; 23 now, therefore, be it

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

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- 1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lester Massey and
- 2 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his
- 3 mother, Mary Massey; to his sister, Anne French; and to his other
- 4 relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Buck
- 8 Massey.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1311 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 13, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House