

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 1311

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
2 meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and many friends
3 of Lester Massey of Dallas, who passed away on March 7, 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, A veteran of the United States Air Force, "Buck"
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

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Massey's most prominent role was that of
8 political activist; he was a leader in the Stonewall Democrats of
9 Dallas, the city's largest gay and lesbian political group, serving
10 as chair of political affairs and on the organization's national
11 board; in addition, he was elected to the State Democratic
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
16 the Stonewall Young Democrats of Dallas, encouraging members to
17 vote, and further shared his time with efforts to help those whose
18 lives had been affected by HIV and AIDS; and

19 WHEREAS, Well-known for his outgoing personality and his
20 singular style, Buck Massey was a passionate force for change and an
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

24 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.