By: Crownover H.R. No. 1505

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Family, friends, and citizens of Denton are mourning the loss of community activist and former city councilman Carl Gene

Young, Sr., who passed away on January 10, 2007, at the age of 59;

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WHEREAS, Born January 5, 1948, to George Alfred Young and Dorothy Nell Sims Young, Mr. Young was raised in Denton; he answered his country's call to duty and served in the 1st Air Cavalry during

8 the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, Returning home to face new challenges, Mr. Young became an ardent and committed advocate for the residents of southeast Denton; in 1995, despite a lack of political experience, he won a seat on the Denton City Council; during his three terms in office, he was a tireless champion for the causes he believed in, including the need for affordable housing, better law enforcement, and more diversity in city government; he was instrumental in the creation of the Robson Ranch development and lobbied to name a street after Martin Luther King, Jr.; always proud of his military service, he helped to start an annual Easter egg hunt commemorating 16 soldiers who were killed in combat during Easter of 1968; and

WHEREAS, Carl Young was unfailingly forthright and honest, a fiery advocate for the ordinary citizen; his was a classic American story of triumph over adversity, as he rose to become a champion for his community; his passionate dedication to the service of others earned him the lasting respect of all who knew him; now, therefore,

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- 1 be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby honor the memory of Carl Gene Young, Sr., and
- 4 offer sincere condolences to his family: to his wife, Marjorie
- 5 McIntosh Young; to his children; and to his other relatives and many
- 6 friends; 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 Carl Gene
- 10 Young, Sr.