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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of William Howard Dickerson of Baytown
2 on March 29, 2007, at the age of 82, deeply saddened the family and
3 friends of this beloved gentleman; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Blacksburg, Virginia, on January 10, 1925,
5 Mr. Dickerson joined the U.S. Navy in May 1942 and served in the
6 Pacific campaign during the Second World War; he was discharged
7 from active duty in May 1949; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Dickerson earned his bachelor of science degree
9 in chemical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute; he
10 retired from Lubrizol in April 1991 and subsequently became active
11 in the Lubrizol Retiree Group; and

12 WHEREAS, A loving husband and devoted father, Mr. Dickerson
13 married Minetta Charlton Dickerson on April 10, 1948, and during
14 their 59 years together they raised a fine family; and

15 WHEREAS, William Howard Dickerson was a valued congregant of
16 the First Christian Church of Baytown, where he was elected elder
17 emeritus in 1998; he also served on the board of the YMCA and
18 received awards for his work with the GAP Bicycle Program; in
19 addition, he gave generously of his time and talents to the Optimist
20 Club and Kiwanis, and for his philanthropic contributions to the
21 latter group he earned designation as a George F. Hixson Fellow; and

22 WHEREAS, Although his death has brought great sorrow to his
23 loved ones, William Dickerson lived a caring and purposeful life,
24 and he leaves behind a legacy to be treasured by those who held him

1 dear; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of William Howard
4 Dickerson and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family:
5 to his wife, Minetta Dickerson; to his children, Floyd Dickerson
6 and his wife, Sharron, Nancy Marshall and her husband, John, Nathan
7 Dickerson and his wife, Kathleen, and John Dickerson and his wife,
8 Gina; to his grandchildren, Sarah and John Hervert, and Scott,
9 Geoffrey, Alexandra, Victor, Kathryn, Austin, Colin, Katie, and
10 Kelly Dickerson; to his brother, Elmer Holdway and his wife,
11 Phyllis; to his nephews, Holles and Jim Charlton; and to his other
12 relatives and friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of William
16 Howard Dickerson.