

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 949

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join citizens across the state in celebrating May 5, 2007, as Carroll Shelby Day in Texas; and

WHEREAS, A native Texan born in Leesburg, Carroll Shelby is one of the auto industry's greatest legends; his career as a driver, owner, team manager, manufacturer, and consultant has spanned more than 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Early in Mr. Shelby's career, his accomplishments included breaking land speed records at Bonneville in 1954 and winning the 24-hour Le Mans in 1959; when health problems forced him to give up racing, he turned his attention to design with a vision of creating a race car made from a lightweight European chassis using American V8 power; and

WHEREAS, This vision led to the legendary Shelby Cobra, one of the fastest road cars ever built; the Cobras and the Shelby Mustangs he built for Ford in the 1960s made Carroll Shelby even more famous; and

WHEREAS, In 1991, he created the Carroll Shelby Children's Foundation, dedicated to providing assistance for acute coronary and kidney care for children in need; in 1992, he was inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Carroll Shelby will be honored at the 12th anniversary of Keels and Wheels Concours d' Elegance at the Lakewood Yacht Club in Seabrook; he is truly deserving of recognition for his outstanding career and the positive impact he has had on the world of racing and automobile design; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Carroll Shelby on his exceptional career and extend to him best wishes in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 2, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate