

By: Swinford

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable George E. "Buddy" West of Odessa, a
2 highly respected member of the Texas House of Representatives,
3 passed away on June 25, 2008, at the age of 71; and

4 WHEREAS, Over the course of his notable tenure, which spanned
5 from 1992 until his death, Representative West served constituents
6 in Ector, Andrews, and Winkler Counties, earning the appreciation
7 and admiration of countless people along the way; he was
8 particularly active in the areas of energy policy and education,
9 chairing the House Committee on Energy Resources, contributing to
10 committees on public education and higher education, and supporting
11 the growth of his alma mater, The University of Texas of the Permian
12 Basin; moreover, he was always a strong advocate for Odessa, the
13 city he called home for more than 60 years; and

14 WHEREAS, The Texas Legislature has a long history of honoring
15 groups and individuals by designating highways, roads, bridges, and
16 other infrastructure in their honor, and Buddy West's exemplary
17 contributions to the Lone Star State make him especially worthy of
18 such a tribute; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
20 hereby request the Texas Department of Transportation to designate
21 the overpass at the intersection of Highway 20 and Highway 338 in
22 Odessa as the Buddy West Memorial Overpass; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the secretary of state forward an official
24 copy of this resolution to the chair of the Texas Transportation

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1 Commission and the executive director of the Texas Department of
2 Transportation.