

By: Homer

H.C.R. No. 212

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of J. B.  
2 Lowry of Paris, Texas, who passed away on December 26, 2008, at the  
3 age of 81; and

4 WHEREAS, Born to Clovis and Inis Campbell Lowry on October  
5 15, 1927, J. B. Lowry grew up in Mount Vernon, where he lived until  
6 he answered his nation's call to duty and enlisted in the U.S. Navy;  
7 while stationed in California, he met and married the former Cletta  
8 Bates, with whom he raised four children and shared 61 fulfilling  
9 years of matrimony; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Lowry returned to Mount Vernon after his naval  
11 service and worked a series of odd jobs before beginning work as a  
12 salesman for a local Chevrolet dealership in 1949; some two decades  
13 later, he moved his family to Paris and opened Lowry Chevrolet,  
14 which he owned and operated for 38 years; and

15 WHEREAS, In addition to being a successful businessman, Mr.  
16 Lowry was a member of Central Presbyterian Church and a winner of  
17 numerous accolades for his community involvement; he was named the  
18 1995 Citizen of the Year by the Paris Police Department, received  
19 the Paul Harris Fellowship and the 2006-2007 Lion of the Year Awards  
20 for his service to the Paris Noon Lions Club, and he earned a  
21 Lifetime Membership award from the Lamar County Crime Stoppers in  
22 2002 for his active participation; he was also a past Master of  
23 Mount Vernon Masonic Lodge No. 691 and current Worthy Patron of  
24 Paris Chapter No. 5 Order of the Eastern Star; moreover, this

1 esteemed Texan was selected for the Boys and Girls Club of Red River  
2 Valley Wall of Honor in 2005; and

3 WHEREAS, J. B. Lowry touched the lives of countless people  
4 during his years on this earth, and memories of him will forever  
5 hold a treasured place in the hearts of his loved ones; now,  
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas  
8 hereby pay tribute to the life of J. B. Lowry and extend sincere  
9 sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Cletta Lowry; to  
10 his children, Tina Anderson and her husband, Mike, Tim Lowry and his  
11 wife, De, Gina Lowry and her husband, Chris Morphis, and Mark Lowry;  
12 to his grandchildren, Christi George and her husband, Aaron,  
13 Elizabeth Carter and her husband, Jay, Stephanie Kirk and her  
14 husband, Kendal, Catherine Peralta and her husband, Jose, John  
15 Lowry and his wife, Adrienne, Jason Burress, Amanda Wilhite, and  
16 Letta Hines; to his 11 great-grandchildren; and to his other  
17 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
20 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
21 J. B. Lowry.