

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost a distinguished native son
2 with the passing of the Honorable George E. "Buddy" West on June 25,
3 2008, yet his contributions continue to resonate in the lives of his
4 fellow Texans; and

5 WHEREAS, Buddy West was first elected as the state
6 representative for District 81 in 1992 and spent 16 years in the
7 house; he was a highly effective advocate for his constituents in
8 Ector, Andrews, and Winkler Counties, and his wisdom and guidance
9 had a positive influence on his colleagues in the house; he was
10 particularly active in the areas of energy policy and education,
11 chairing the House Committee on Energy Resources, contributing to
12 committees on public education and higher education, and supporting
13 the growth of his alma mater, The University of Texas of the Permian
14 Basin; by his side throughout his legislative career was his wife,
15 successful real estate agent and admired Odessa resident Shirley
16 West, with whom he shared 52 years of marriage; and

17 WHEREAS, The Lone Star State is all the better for the efforts
18 of this esteemed Texan, and it is most appropriate that lasting
19 tribute be paid to his service through the naming of a state
20 facility in his honor; and

21 WHEREAS, By this resolution, the presiding officers and
22 members of the house and senate express support and consent for
23 naming a permanent facility at The University of Texas of the
24 Permian Basin in honor of Buddy and Shirley West, and this

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1 resolution serves as the authorization required by Section
2 2165.005, Government Code; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
4 hereby direct the Texas Facilities Commission to name a permanent
5 facility at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin in honor of
6 Buddy and Shirley West; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the secretary of state forward an official
8 copy of this resolution to the chair and executive director of the
9 Texas Facilities Commission.

Pitts
Jones

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 268 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 268 was adopted by the Senate on June 1, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor