

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of James Sparks, Jr., of
2 Beaumont were greatly saddened by his passing on March 8, 2008, at
3 the age of 66; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on March 23, 1941, to James William Sparks,
5 Sr., and Vurla Carpenter Sparks, Jimmy Sparks graduated from South
6 Park High School and proceeded to earn degrees from Lamar
7 University and Baylor University; and

8 WHEREAS, After a 40-year career practicing law in his
9 hometown, Mr. Sparks had recently spent five years living in
10 Fredericksburg, fulfilling his long-held desire to reside in the
11 Texas Hill Country; he was a member of Westgate Church of Christ;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Although he is deeply missed, those who treasured
14 this caring and thoughtful man will forever remember with great
15 affection his zest for life and wonderful sense of humor; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
18 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of James Sparks, Jr., and
19 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
20 Martha Dougharty Sparks; to his sons, Mark Sparks and James Sparks
21 III and his wife, Nancy; to his niece, Dana Work, and her husband,
22 Scott; to his great-nephews, David and Ethan Work; and to his other
23 relatives and friends; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James
3 Sparks, Jr.

Hilderbran

Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Pena
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 17 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House