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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of Houston lost an admired business leader
2 with the passing of Lee Price Moncrief on July 27, 2008, at the age
3 of 57; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Rosemary Drennan and George Price
5 Moncrief, Lee Moncrief was born on July 12, 1951, in Colorado City,
6 Texas; he spent much of his childhood in the southern part of the
7 state, but his father's work as a petroleum engineer also took the
8 family to Tyler and to McComb, Mississippi, during Lee's youth; he
9 graduated from McAllen High School in 1969 and then studied at Texas
10 A&M University before earning a degree in business from The
11 University of Texas at Austin in 1974; and

12 WHEREAS, Moving to Houston in the mid-1970s, he embarked on a
13 successful career in the energy industry that spanned 33 years;
14 specializing in the areas of finance, investment banking, and asset
15 management, he ultimately helped found Moncrief Willingham Energy
16 Advisors in 1999; in addition, he served as the investment manager
17 of HedgeEnergy and was a member of the Independent Petroleum
18 Association of America for 20 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Moncrief was joined in matrimony to Nancy
20 Eversole in 1976, beginning their 32 years together; Mr. Moncrief
21 was deeply devoted to his family, which came to include four sons,
22 Lee, Logan, Matthew, and Andrew, and he took great delight in the
23 many activities they shared together; and

24 WHEREAS, Possessing an enduring love of the ocean, Mr.

1 Moncrief was an avid sailor who held a 100-ton captain's license and
2 piloted his boat, *Regency*, to a variety of destinations, including
3 ports of call in New England, Florida, and the Caribbean; his
4 interest in nautical endeavors was recognized with his commission
5 as an admiral in the Texas Navy; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Moncrief further indulged his enjoyment of the
7 outdoors through his hobbies of fishing, rafting, camping, hiking,
8 and golf; he also relished the opportunities he had to travel
9 throughout the United States and to visit foreign countries; and

10 WHEREAS, This respected and influential Texan was active in a
11 variety of organizations; a strong supporter of the Boy Scouts of
12 America, he served as scoutmaster and committee chair of Troop 55
13 and as a member of the board of directors of the Sam Houston Area
14 Council; his involvement with The University of Texas included
15 membership in the Hermes Society of the McCombs School of Business,
16 the Longfellow Society, the UT Golf Club, Texas Exes, and the
17 executive committee of the Chancellor's Council; moreover, he
18 belonged to the Roaring Fork Club, the Lakewood Yacht Club, and the
19 Houston City Club; and

20 WHEREAS, Although his time on this earth ended far too soon,
21 Lee Moncrief lived a caring and purposeful life that balanced
22 professional success with an abiding commitment to his loved ones,
23 and his achievements will long be treasured by those who had the
24 good fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
26 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lee Price Moncrief and
27 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,

1 Nancy; to his sons, Lee Price Moncrief, Jr., and his wife, Brooke,
2 Logan Anderson Moncrief, Matthew Henry Hunter Moncrief, and Andrew
3 Sharp Moncrief; to his sister, Marcia Moncrief Goodless, and her
4 husband, Michael; to his mother-in-law, Mrs. Henry W. Eversole; to
5 his brother-in-law, Henry W. Eversole, Jr., and his wife, Merry
6 Jane; to his sister-in-law, Lona Eversole Forester; to his uncle,
7 Joseph Moncrief, and his wife, Bette; and to his other relatives and
8 friends; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lee Price
12 Moncrief.