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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of Donald  
2 Eugene Allen of Weatherford, who passed away on January 13, 2009;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, A devoted husband and father, Don Allen shared more  
5 than half a century with his spouse, Nickie; together, they raised  
6 three daughters, Erin, Linda, and Jane, and later in life delighted  
7 in the company of their grandchildren; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Allen worked as a claims examiner in the  
9 insurance industry for 13 years before purchasing a paint and  
10 decorating business with his wife; his hard work and  
11 entrepreneurial savvy also led him to establish a home construction  
12 company that he operated for many decades; one of his most notable  
13 works, Windsor House, was built for and managed by Mrs. Allen; and

14 WHEREAS, An avid sports fan, Mr. Allen spent his free time  
15 cheering on his favorite teams, and he especially enjoyed baseball;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Although Don Allen will be greatly missed, he led a  
18 caring and purposeful life, and he will always be remembered with  
19 great affection by those fortunate enough to have known him; now,  
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Donald Eugene Allen  
23 and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his  
24 wife, Nickie Allen; to his daughters, Erin Ratliff and her husband,

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1 Tim, Linda Clark and her husband, Bart, and Jane Allen; to his  
2 grandchildren, Kelsey, Kyle, and Lindsey; and to his other  
3 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Don Allen.