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H.R. No. 284

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, With the death of Lane Alton Zivley on January 18,  
2 2009, at the age of 69, the State of Texas lost a dedicated  
3 professional who helped ensure a brighter future for many Texas  
4 workers; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in Temple on January 15, 1940, Mr. Zivley was  
6 the son of Rebecca and Lamar Zivley; he played football at The  
7 University of Texas and later attended Sam Houston State  
8 University, where he was a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Zivley gained an early knowledge of Texas  
10 government from his father, who represented Bell County in the  
11 state legislature and helped create the Teacher Retirement System  
12 of Texas; Lane Zivley would draw on that background when he entered  
13 state service, working for the state comptroller's office during a  
14 career that spanned 15 years; and

15           WHEREAS, In 1974, he became an advocate for his fellow state  
16 employees when he was hired by the Texas Public Employees  
17 Association; appointed executive director several years later, he  
18 fought for wage increases, protections for whistle-blowers, and  
19 improved benefits, and his dedication and diligence benefited  
20 countless public servants; and

21           WHEREAS, A man of many interests, Mr. Zivley loved politics,  
22 ardently supported the NRA, and enjoyed hunting and cheering on his  
23 favorite sports teams, including the Longhorns, the Yankees, and  
24 the Round Rock Express; and

1           WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, he was blessed with the love  
2 and support of his wife of more than 40 years, June, as well as four  
3 children, Benette, Rebecca, Debra, and Mona, eight grandchildren,  
4 and two great-grandchildren; and

5           WHEREAS, Although Lane Zivley's wide circle of friends and  
6 admirers are saddened by his death, they will surely take comfort in  
7 remembering his humor, compassion, and generosity, and he will  
8 forever hold a special place in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lane Alton Zivley and  
11 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,  
12 June; to his children, Benette Lamar Zivley and his wife, Linda,  
13 Rebecca Grace Schrowang and her husband, Jeremy, Debra Denise  
14 Emery, and Mona Marie Fitch; to his grandchildren, Zachary, Zoe,  
15 Caitlyn, Russell, Justin, Chance, Alexis, and Lacey; to his  
16 great-grandchildren, Brooklynd and Raleigh; 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 adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lane Alton  
21 Zivley.