

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life came to an end with the
2 passing of Clarence Bryant of San Antonio, who died on February 26,
3 2008, at the age of 81; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant was born on April 12, 1926, and grew up in
5 a small community outside of Houston; at the age of 17, he joined
6 his cousin in San Antonio in order to look for employment; and

7 WHEREAS, Through hard work and initiative, Mr. Bryant became
8 a successful entrepreneur; in 1963, he and his friend and business
9 partner, Bennie Norris, opened an automobile repair shop; and

10 WHEREAS, The success of that venture led to Mr. Bryant's
11 creation of other businesses, including a car wash and the first
12 African American-owned coin-operated laundry on the east side of
13 San Antonio; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant became a leader in his community,
15 providing jobs to many young people over the years and strongly
16 encouraging them to pursue an education; and

17 WHEREAS, Through his perseverance and unwavering commitment
18 to customer service, Clarence Bryant saw his dream of business
19 ownership fulfilled several times over; although this esteemed
20 gentleman is deeply missed, the memory of his good humor and
21 invaluable contributions to his community will long endure with all
22 who knew him; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Clarence Bryant and

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1 extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his
2 wife, Cindy; to his son, Derek Charles Bryant; to his sisters, Ora
3 Lee McFarlane and Lillian Garcia; and to his other relatives and
4 friends; and, be it further

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

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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	Peña
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. 422 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House