

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Fort Worth lost a dedicated civic
2 leader with the passing of Charles Ray "Chuck" Silcox on October 25,
3 2008, at the age of 65; and

4 WHEREAS, A native and lifelong resident of Fort Worth, Chuck
5 Silcox was born on October 8, 1943, and he went on to graduate from
6 Paschal High School in 1961; he later attended Tyler Junior College
7 and Texas Christian University, and from 1965 to 1970, he worked at
8 General Dynamics as an industrial engineer; after being employed in
9 the industrial development division of Texas Electric Service
10 Company during the 1970s, Mr. Silcox held various management
11 positions with a number of janitorial companies, and in 1985, he
12 established his own janitorial services company, Quasar Services;
13 he was also the founder of Silcox Management, Inc., which he
14 launched in 1996; and

15 WHEREAS, In addition to being a successful businessman, Mr.
16 Silcox was active in local politics as Fort Worth's longest-serving
17 city council member; since he was first elected in 1991, he won each
18 subsequent bid for reelection and in 2007 had begun his ninth term
19 representing District 3, in the southwestern region of the city; he
20 had served as mayor pro tempore three times, and he was on numerous
21 boards and commissions, including the Safety and Community
22 Development Council and the Regional Transportation Council of the
23 North Central Texas Council of Governments; and

24 WHEREAS, As a councilman, Mr. Silcox was highly regarded for

1 his tenacity and originality, his concern for the city's
2 neighborhoods, and his unwavering loyalty to his constituents; he
3 was the proponent of a long-range plan to help the homeless in Fort
4 Worth and of such transportation initiatives as the Southwest
5 Parkway, and he was a strong advocate for the police and
6 firefighters' associations; an animal lover, Mr. Silcox also
7 advocated for the humane treatment of animals and he was a fervent
8 supporter of the Fort Worth Animal Care and Control Center, which is
9 being renamed in his honor in 2009; moreover, as the senior member
10 of the city council, he inspired others with his long-standing
11 dedication to meeting the needs of the people he served; and

12 WHEREAS, Chuck Silcox was committed to his fellow citizens
13 and to ensuring a bright future for the city of Fort Worth, and he
14 leaves behind a legacy of compassion, dedication, and community
15 service that will long be remembered by all who were fortunate
16 enough to know him; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
18 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Charles Ray "Chuck"
19 Silcox and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
20 his wife of 28 years, Brenda; to his daughters, Bridgett Thurman and
21 Brandi Loar; to his six grandchildren; and to his other relatives
22 and many friends; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
25 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Charles Ray
26 "Chuck" Silcox.

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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

H.R. No. 590

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 590 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House