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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their
- 2 memories of Wayne E. Glenn of Houston, who passed away on February
- 3 10, 2009, at the age of 93; and
- 4 WHEREAS, A native of Fort Worth, Mr. Glenn was born on
- 5 November 3, 1915; he attended The University of Texas at Arlington
- 6 and graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1940 with a degree
- 7 in petroleum engineering; as a student, he met Barbara Ellen
- 8 Gamble, with whom he shared a loving marriage of 67 years; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Serving his country in World War II, Mr. Glenn
- 10 trained troops in East Texas, and his unit won the Best Company
- 11 Award for the Texas-Oklahoma Region; in 1942, he joined the Army
- 12 Secret Service to work undercover as an engineer at the Dow Plant in
- 13 Freeport; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Glenn began his successful career in the oil
- 15 industry in 1940, when he was hired by Continental Oil Company as a
- 16 field roustabout; he later joined Conoco, where he was part of a
- 17 team that transformed the company from a regional independent to a
- 18 major international oil corporation; and
- WHEREAS, In 1977, he retired from Conoco as vice chair of the
- 20 board of directors in charge of worldwide exploration, production,
- 21 and mineral development; he went on to establish Wayne E. Glenn &
- 22 Associates, an independent oil and gas company; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Glenn earned a reputation as a leader and an
- 24 innovator in his field, and in the mid-1960s he convened a

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- 1 conference of oil industry engineers that is known today as the
- 2 Offshore Technology Conference; moreover, his research team at
- 3 Conoco designed and patented the first tension-leg, deep-water
- 4 drilling and production platform, now used throughout the world;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, this notable Texan worked
- 7 tirelessly on behalf of industry associations, and he served as
- 8 president of the Society of Petroleum Engineers and the American
- 9 Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers and as
- 10 director of the American Petroleum Institute, the Mid-Continent Oil
- 11 and Gas Association, and the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas
- 12 Association; and
- 13 WHEREAS, His professional community honored him with
- 14 numerous awards, including the 2002 AIME Distinguished Service
- 15 Award, the 1972 SPE DeGolyer Distinguished Service Medal, and the
- 16 1973 Chief Roughneck Award from the Independent Petroleum
- 17 Association of America; he was also the first recipient of the
- 18 Distinguished Service Award granted by the Petroleum Society of the
- 19 Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum, and the
- 20 John Rogers Award from the Southwestern Legal Foundation; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Maintaining a connection with the schools he
- 22 attended, Mr. Glenn received multiple Distinguished Alumni Awards
- 23 from The University of Texas at Arlington and the University of
- 24 Oklahoma; recognizing the value of education, he attended the
- 25 Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program in 1957, and he
- 26 was also awarded an honorary Ph.D. from the Montana School of Mines;
- 27 and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Although Wayne Glenn is deeply missed, the memory of
- 2 his enthusiasm and passion for life, his work ethic, and his
- 3 devotion to his family remains to comfort and inspire those who knew
- 4 him well; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Wayne E. Glenn and
- 7 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 8 Barbara Glenn; to his daughter, Ellen G. Golden and her husband,
- 9 Paul; to his sons, Carvel Wayne Glenn and his partner, Randall, and
- 10 Lawrence E. Glenn and his wife, Louise; to his grandchildren, Laura
- 11 and Catherine Golden, Dr. Elizabeth Sweeney and her husband, Jon,
- 12 and Travis and Peter Glenn; and to his other relatives and friends;
- 13 and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Wayne
- 17 Glenn.