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H.R. No. 1299

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Danny Ray Robertson of Midland on
2 December 12, 2008, at the age of 59, has deeply saddened the family
3 and friends of this esteemed Texan; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of T. Ray and Sylvia Martin Robertson, Dan
5 Robertson was born on April 17, 1949, in Perryton, and he was raised
6 in Spearman; after graduating from Spearman High School in 1967, he
7 attended West Texas A&M University and later The University of
8 Texas at Austin; Mr. Robertson married the former Donna Freeland on
9 July 31, 1971, while they were both completing their studies at UT,
10 and in 1976, he graduated with honors, earning a bachelor's degree
11 in government; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson worked on various political
13 campaigns, and he was on the staff of Congressman Bob Krueger before
14 joining Atlantic Richfield Company, known as ARCO, in 1979; he went
15 on to hold numerous executive positions within the company,
16 including director of government affairs; during this time, he and
17 his young family lived in both Houston and Dallas, but they
18 eventually settled in Midland, where Mr. Robertson became president
19 of 180 Petroleum; he was also an investor and a consultant within
20 the oil and gas industry; and

21 WHEREAS, Active in numerous organizations, Mr. Robertson
22 served as director of the Texas Lyceum, and he was involved in the
23 Permian Basin Petroleum Association, the Texas Alliance of Energy
24 Producers, the Petroleum Club of Midland, and the Permian Basin

1 Workforce Development Board; he was also a longtime participant on
2 the legislative committee of the Texas Oil and Gas Association, and
3 he was the editor of the Oil Report for the *Midland*
4 *Reporter-Telegram*; in addition, Mr. Robertson was on the Midland
5 Wildcat Committee and the board of the Midland Community Concerts
6 Association, and he was a dedicated supporter of the Permian Basin
7 Petroleum Museum and the Save the Girls collection at the American
8 Airpower Heritage Museum; and

9 WHEREAS, Committed to his profession and his community, Dan
10 Robertson touched the lives of countless individuals, and he will
11 be greatly missed by all those who were privileged to know him; now,
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Danny Ray Robertson
15 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
16 wife, Donna Freeland Robertson; to his sons, Duncan Robertson and
17 his wife, Stephanie, and Stephen Robertson and his wife, Leah; to
18 his sister, Brenda Annen and her husband, Claude; to his aunt, Sybil
19 Miller and her husband, Billy; to his sister-in-law, Peggy Betz and
20 her husband, Dennis; to his nieces and nephews; and to his other
21 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dan
25 Robertson.