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H.R. No. 2070

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of William
2 Kelly Young of Fort Worth, who passed away on April 13, 2009, at the
3 age of 75; and

4 WHEREAS, The fourth son of Marshall and Margaret Kelly Young,
5 Kelly Young was born on October 14, 1933, in Fort Worth; he went on
6 to graduate from Arlington Heights High School in 1951, and he later
7 completed a two-year tour of duty as a radar technician with the
8 United States Army; in 1958, he earned a bachelor's degree in
9 geology from Washington and Lee University in Virginia; and

10 WHEREAS, The following year, Mr. Young joined his father at
11 Marshall R. Young Oil Company, where he was responsible for
12 securing leases and funding for prospects, and he became a highly
13 regarded leader within the local oil and gas industry; after their
14 father's passing in 1976, Mr. Young and his brothers continued to
15 operate their successful family business; and

16 WHEREAS, Kelly Young generously supported numerous area
17 organizations, and he was on the boards of Continental National
18 Bank, the Lena Pope Home, and the Recovery Resource Council; in
19 addition, he served as president of the Glass House, and he was a
20 member of Steeplechase, the Exchange Club of Fort Worth, the Fort
21 Worth Wildcatters, River Crest Country Club, and the Fort Worth
22 Club; and

23 WHEREAS, Outside of his professional and civic involvement,
24 Mr. Young took great pleasure in raising horses on his ranch in

1 Weatherford, and in playing golf and traveling; he also enjoyed
2 entertaining his friends and family by singing and playing the
3 piano, and he was an avid collector of Americana and Texas folk art;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Kelly Young demonstrated both confidence and
6 humility in his everyday life, and those fortunate enough to have
7 shared in his love and friendship will forever treasure their
8 memories of this caring and easygoing Texan; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of William Kelly Young
11 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
12 children, Shannon Young Ray and her husband, Breck, Alison Young
13 and her husband, Clif Wright, William Kelly Young, Jr., and Hunter
14 Young and his wife, Amy; to his grandchildren, Breck, Peter,
15 Carson, Taylor, and Megan Ray, EvaClaire and Henry Wright, and
16 Evelyn and Eleanor Young; to his brother, George M. Young and his
17 wife, Diane; to his nieces and nephews, Margie Lilly, Kelly Ann
18 Ewin, George M. Young, Jr., Sherman Young, and Marshall Young; to
19 his 17 great-nieces and great-nephews; to his cousins, Pope Kelly
20 and Robert Young; to his godchildren, Annette Williamson and Cece
21 French Miles; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be
22 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 William
26 Kelly Young.