

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends of Raphael Wilbur Dutton, Jr., of
2 Houston were deeply saddened by his passing on April 22, 2009, at
3 the age of 96; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on October 16, 1912, in Patterson, Louisiana,
5 Raphael Dutton was the son of Raphael Wilbur Dutton, Sr., and
6 Virginia Isabell Harris and the brother of Tillman, Harold, Marvin,
7 Constance, and Marjorie; and

8 WHEREAS, He served his country with distinction as a member
9 of the U.S. Army during World War II and, following his honorable
10 discharge, worked for many years for Texas Steel, until his
11 retirement; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Dutton and his beloved wife, Mattie, shared a
13 fulfilling marriage that spanned more than 60 years, and the couple
14 were blessed with a son, Charles; through the years, Mr. Dutton also
15 experienced the joy of welcoming into their family three
16 grandchildren and a great-granddaughter; and

17 WHEREAS, A loyal congregant of Olivet Missionary Baptist
18 Church, Mr. Dutton inspired many with his deep commitment to his
19 faith; and

20 WHEREAS, Raphael Dutton lived a caring and purposeful life,
21 and he will forever be remembered with deep affection by all who
22 were fortunate enough to share in his love and friendship; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Raphael Wilbur
2 Dutton, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his
3 family: to his son, Charles Dutton; to his daughter-in-law, Rhonda
4 Dutton; to his grandchildren, De Julius, Raphael, and DeDria; to
5 his great-granddaughter, Kamron; to his sister, Marjorie Perry; to
6 his sisters-in-law, Mildred Dutton, Amanda Dutton, and Helen
7 Randle; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Raphael
11 Wilbur Dutton, Jr.

Dutton

H.R. No. 2080

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2080 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 19, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House