

By: Dutton

H.R. No. 2080

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.