

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of James E.
2 Weatherford of Waxahachie, who passed away on March 18, 2009, at the
3 age of 83; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Ellis County on September 2, 1925, to C. S.
5 and Kate Weatherford, James Weatherford attended schools in Ovilla,
6 Red Oak, and Waxahachie; he went on to study at North Texas State
7 University before answering his nation's call to duty with four
8 years of service in the U.S. Air Force, including a year spent
9 overseas; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Weatherford worked for International Harvester
11 and J. C. Penney after concluding his military duty; he ultimately
12 began a career at Sears that spanned 30 years, during which time he
13 managed stores in Waxahachie and Richardson; and

14 WHEREAS, Formerly married to Janie Hazelip and Carolyn
15 Parker, both of whom preceded him in death, Mr. Weatherford
16 remarried in 1995 and enjoyed a rewarding relationship with his
17 wife, Betty; he was the devoted father of two children, and his
18 family grew to include two stepchildren and four grandchildren; and

19 WHEREAS, James Weatherford was a member of Farley Street
20 Baptist Church for four decades, and he took great enjoyment in his
21 hobbies of golf, bridge, and other card games; known for his playful
22 sense of humor, he brought joy to his family and friends throughout
23 his life, and they will long treasure their memories of time spent
24 in his company; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of James E. Weatherford
3 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
4 wife, Betty Weatherford; to his children, Paul Weatherford and his
5 wife, Gwen, and Laura Bearden; to his stepchildren, Tina Dennison
6 and Paul Nelson and his wife, Melinda; to his grandchildren and
7 step-grandchildren, Lindsey Weatherford, Larisa and Ross Bearden,
8 and Macy Dennison; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James
13 Weatherford.

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H.R. No. 2680

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2680 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 31, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House