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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends of Harold Gene Jones of Ennis
2 were deeply saddened by his passing on March 13, 2009, at the age of
3 72; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Dallas, Harold Jones was born on August
5 10, 1936, to Raymond and Eva Jones; he graduated from Ennis High
6 School in 1954 and went on to attend Arlington State College and
7 serve his country as a member of the United States Army; and

8 WHEREAS, In partnership with his son, Donald, Mr. Jones
9 founded and co-owned the Old Brickyard Golf Course in Ferris; a
10 successful real estate developer, he owned or co-owned numerous
11 other residential and commercial properties in the area, including
12 Nationwide Computer, Commercial State Bank, and the Ennis Country
13 Club; and

14 WHEREAS, Committed to the betterment of his community, he
15 volunteered for the board of the Ennis Independent School District
16 and the Ellis County Appraisal District and held memberships with
17 the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Ennis, the Cattleman's
18 Association, and the Texas Apartment Association; and

19 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Jones enjoyed the love
20 and support of his wife, the former Barbara Varner; the father of
21 four children, Donald Smith, Lee Edward Jones, Cathy Jones, and the
22 late Ronald Wayne Jones, he found pleasure in spending time with his
23 grandchildren on his Red Tail Game and Cattle Ranch; and

24 WHEREAS, This kind and generous man enhanced the lives of

1 many people, and he will be greatly missed by all those who were
2 fortunate enough to share in his love and friendship; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Harold Gene Jones and
6 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
7 Barbara Jones; to his children, Donald Smith and his wife,
8 Jeanette, Lee Edward Jones, and Cathy Jones; to his grandchildren,
9 Jonathan Jones and Blake and Olivia Smith; to his brother, Bobby Ray
10 Jones, and his wife, Nancy; to his sister-in-law, Bobbie Jean
11 Jones; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Harold Gene
15 Jones.