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H.R. No. 3122

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Kerrville lost a beloved neighbor and
2 admired member of the medical community with the passing of Dr.
3 James Carr Stokes on May 25, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on March 24, 1947, to William and Irene Carr
5 Stokes in Del Rio, James Stokes grew up in Encinal and graduated
6 from high school in Cotulla before answering his nation's call to
7 duty with service in the U.S. Air Force; he was a graduate of
8 Schreiner College, The University of Texas, and The University of
9 Texas Dental School; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Stokes married the former Rebecca Dobie in 1969;
11 the couple raised a loving family that grew to include three
12 children, Rebecca, Jim, and Carr, as well as two grandchildren; and

13 WHEREAS, A resident of Houston for 25 years, Dr. Stokes
14 fulfilled one of his dreams in 1992, when he moved his family to the
15 Texas Hill Country and opened an independent periodontal practice
16 in Kerrville; he served as president of the Heart of Texas Dental
17 Association and took a prominent role in many community
18 organizations and initiatives; he was a member of Trinity
19 Presbyterian Church in Boerne, founded the Young Life Adult
20 Committee, and was a longtime supporter and board member of the
21 Salvation Army; moreover, Dr. Stokes also found time amidst his
22 other commitments to develop his talents as a musician; and

23 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, James Stokes demonstrated
24 humility, generosity, and an unwavering dedication to his family

1 and his profession, and he will be fondly remembered and deeply
2 missed by all who had the good fortune to know him; now, therefore,
3 be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. James Carr Stokes
6 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
7 wife, Becky Stokes; to his children, Rebecca Stokes, Jim Dobie
8 Stokes and his wife, Allison, and Carr Stokes and his wife, Becca;
9 to his grandchildren, Ellie and Georgia Stokes; to his sister,
10 Carol S. Stokes Gilbert; to his mother-in-law, Fredna Wood; to his
11 brother-in-law, Richard Dobie, and his wife, Debbie; to his niece,
12 Lee Ann Gilbert Waldrip; and to his other relatives and many
13 friends; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James
17 Stokes.