

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 81

In Memory  
of  
Howard Jones, Sr.

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Houston in mourning the loss of Howard Jones, Sr., who died January 24, 2009, at the age of 93; and

**WHEREAS**, Howard Jones, Sr., was born February 8, 1915, in Hempstead, where he attended the public schools and Rock Island Church; and

**WHEREAS**, He was married to the late Virginia Steptoe Jones, and the couple raised four sons; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jones was an exemplary citizen and was respected in the community for his many accomplishments; a devout Christian, he practiced his faith in his daily life; after moving to Houston, he became a devoted member of Lyons Unity Missionary Baptist Church; and

**WHEREAS**, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave generously to others, and his wisdom, kindness, and dignity will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jones was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he will long be remembered with admiration and affection by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Howard Jones, Sr.: his children, Willie L. Jones and Ray C. Jones, Sr.; his sister, Melvina Williams; and his 12 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Howard Jones, Sr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 28, 2009, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate