

1 1960s and later as campaign chair for Congressman Jim Collins; in
2 1975, he was elected to the Dallas City Council, where he served two
3 terms and chaired the finance, public safety, and cable television
4 committees; and

5 WHEREAS, He was elected in 1980 to represent District 16 in
6 the Texas Senate, and he served five terms as a senator, retiring in
7 1996; he sponsored legislation that led to the creation of the Rainy
8 Day Fund, and in 1989, he served as President Pro Tempore of the
9 Senate; and

10 WHEREAS, Senator Leedom was a devout Christian who practiced
11 his faith in his daily life; he was a trustee of Grace Bible Church,
12 and he often expressed his gratitude for having been able to serve
13 the public; and

14 WHEREAS, A man of vision, courage, and loyalty, he gave
15 generously to others, and his wisdom, his determination, and his
16 enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten
17 by those who knew him; and

18 WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather,
19 and although he will be deeply missed by his family and countless
20 friends, he will continue to live in their hearts and minds; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas,
23 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the
24 bereaved family of the Honorable John Nesbett Leedom: Betty
25 Leedom, his loving wife of 56 years; Joanne Leedom Ackerman, Judy
26 Leedom Tyrer, Becky Trigg, Danny Kennedy, Linda Leedom Moore, and
27 John Leedom, Jr.; and his 12 grandchildren and six

1 great-grandchildren; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for his
3 family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas
4 Legislature, and that when the legislature adjourns this day, it do
5 so in memory of John Nesbett Leedom.