By: J. Davis of Harris

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at 2 the loss of the Reverend Clinton Roderick Dobson of Arlington, who 3 died on March 3, 2011, at the age of 28; and

WHEREAS, Clint Dobson was born in Webster on July 15, 1982, to Roderick and Sharon Dobson, and he grew up in Clear Lake, where his father worked as a NASA contractor; he played football and baseball at Clear Lake High School, graduating in 2000, and attended University Baptist Church; he loved working on projects with his father, and he taught himself to play both the guitar and the piano; and

11 WHEREAS, While attending Baylor University, Mr. Dobson met 12 the love of his life, Laura Rozeman, whom he would later marry; it 13 was also during those years that he first felt called to the 14 ministry; after earning his bachelor's degree in psychology in 15 2004, he continued his studies at Baylor's George W. Truett 16 Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dobson served as an intern in the apartment ministry of his hometown church for two summers; his focus was on at-risk youth, and he was known for his sensitive and caring approach; he spent his final year of seminary as pastor of Purmela Baptist Church before graduating with a master of divinity degree in 2008; his gifts as a minister were already apparent, and he was named the school's Preacher of the Year; and

24 WHEREAS, This dedicated young man subsequently became the

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1 lead pastor at NorthPointe Church, a satellite church of First
2 Baptist Church of Arlington, and he endeared himself to the
3 congregation with his warm demeanor, eloquent sermons, and tireless
4 efforts in behalf of the powerless and impoverished; and

5 WHEREAS, Exuberant and joyful, Clint Dobson dedicated his 6 life to sharing his profound religious faith and to helping the less 7 fortunate, and he leaves behind a legacy of compassion and service 8 to others that will forever endure in the hearts of all who knew and 9 loved him; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas hereby pay tribute to the memory of the Reverend Clinton Roderick 11 12 Dobson and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Laura Rozeman Dobson; to his parents, Roderick and Sharon 13 14 Dobson; to his brother and sister-in-law, Chris and Melissa 15 Kirchmer; to his sister and brother-in-law, Sarah and Rob Mitchell; to his grandmother, Marie Killian; to his uncles, Steve Killian and 16 17 his wife, Linda, and Alan Killian and his wife, Debra; to his nieces, Kate Kirchmer and Ella Mitchell; to his nephew, Trevin 18 19 Sonnier; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further 20

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 23 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of 24 Clint Dobson.

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