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H.R. No. 137

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
2 dedicated service remain to comfort the family and friends of
3 Richard Reese Wenneker of Grapevine, who passed away on August 25,
4 2010, at the age of 54; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on August 2, 1956, Rich
6 Wenneker joined the Cub Scouts at the age of eight, beginning a
7 lifetime affiliation with the Boy Scouts of America; he was an Eagle
8 Scout and attained the rare Vigil level in scouting's elite Order of
9 the Arrow; as an adult, he volunteered countless hours as an
10 assistant scoutmaster, sharing his knowledge, skill, humor, and
11 compassion with the boys of Troop 28 in Colleyville; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1984, he married Sonja Leanne Kerby, and their
13 family grew to include sons Adam, Corey, and Jacob; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Wenneker attended and was employed by Oklahoma
15 State University, then worked as a mainframe software systems
16 engineer for BNSF Railway Company and IBM; and

17 WHEREAS, An active member of the First United Methodist
18 Church of Grapevine, Rich Wenneker lived a caring and purposeful
19 life; he enjoyed spending time outdoors, following Texas high
20 school football, and working with communication technology, and he
21 will forever be remembered with great affection by all those who
22 were privileged to share in his love and friendship; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Reese
2 Wenneker and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
3 family: to his wife, Sonja Kerby Wenneker; to his sons, Adam
4 Wenneker, Corey Wenneker, and Jacob Wenneker; to his mother,
5 Shirley Wenneker; to his brother, Phil Wenneker; to his sister,
6 Lori Thompson; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Rich
11 Wenneker.