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H.R. No. 987

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The residents of Brazoria County lost a dedicated
2 community servant with the passing of Harry Edward Wille, Jr., of
3 Clute on January 3, 2010, at the age of 76, and in 2011 Mr. Wille was
4 posthumously honored with the Philanthropic Memorial Award by the
5 Community Foundation of Brazoria County; and

6 WHEREAS, Born in New Orleans on July 2, 1933, to Harry and
7 Eula Wille, Harry Wille earned a bachelor of science degree from
8 McNeese State University in Louisiana; he came to the Brazosport
9 area in 1991, and quickly involved himself in civic and community
10 affairs; and

11 WHEREAS, Using his skills as a certified public accountant,
12 Mr. Wille put his expertise to work for various nonprofit
13 organizations; known as a person who got things done, he served as
14 president of the Brazosport Rotary Club in 1996 and 1997 and as
15 treasurer for many years and was named a Rotary International Paul
16 Harris Fellow and sustaining member; he was also a trustee of the
17 Brazosport Planetarium and a member of the executive committee of
18 the Brazosport Area Chamber of Commerce; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Wille further shared his time and talents as an
20 elected member of the Brazosport College board of regents for more
21 than a decade, and he supported the college through contributions
22 to its scholarship programs, fund-raising campaigns, and music
23 performance center; with his wife, he volunteered with the
24 Southwest SIDS Research Institute, and he gathered donations for

1 many worthy causes by hosting shrimp and crawfish boils and seafood
2 gumbo dinners; and

3 WHEREAS, A devoted participant in numerous church programs,
4 Mr. Wille served as treasurer of the First United Methodist Church
5 in Lake Jackson; he was known for his quiet and unassuming manner,
6 his willingness to donate extraordinary time and effort, and his
7 steadfast belief in serving his fellow man; and

8 WHEREAS, Though it is impossible to gauge the full effect of a
9 man's life, some individuals leave their unmistakable mark on the
10 world as they move through it, and Harry Wille's contributions to
11 his community will long resonate in the lives of all who knew him;
12 now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Harry Edward Wille,
15 Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
16 his wife of 55 years, Peggy; to his children, Cindy Waldrip and her
17 husband, John, and Mark Wille; to his grandchildren, Ryan Bordelon
18 and his wife, Janna, Kevin Bordelon, Jennifer Daigrepoint, and James
19 Daigrepoint; to his great-grandchildren, Ayden, Kaleb, Elijuah,
20 Jaelynn, and Alana; to his brothers, Alton Wille and his wife, Judy,
21 and Clarence Wille and his wife, Sheila; to his sisters, Margie
22 Peters, Darlene Nall, and Faye Smith; and to his other relatives and
23 friends; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
25 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
26 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Harry
27 Wille.