By: Gooden H.R. No. 1197

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Jerry Quitman Kidd of Chandler, an accomplished 2 businessman and friend to many, passed away on March 15, 2011, at the age of 77; and 3 WHEREAS, Born on March 1, 1934, in Brownsboro to John and Lou 4 5 Ella Kidd, Jerry Kidd graduated from East Texas State University; he wed the former Alice Cade, the love of his life, on December 18, 6

7 1954; they enjoyed a rewarding marriage of 56 years and were blessed with two sons, Luster and Greg, as well as four grandchildren; and 8 9 WHEREAS, After college Mr. Kidd entered the field of education, and over the ensuing years he coached football in 10 Groveton and taught physical education at Andy Woods Elementary and 11 12 Rice Elementary in Tyler; possessed of an entrepreneurial spirit, he opened his first Kidd Jones convenience store in a small portable 13 building on April 13, 1965, in collaboration with his partner, Leo 14 Jones; through their hard work and commitment, they were able to 15 16 develop the business into what is now a successful chain of stores with locations throughout East Texas; Mr. Kidd also invested in 17 Citizens State Bank in Chandler and helped to oversee the growth of 18

that institution as it expanded into other communities across the 19 20 region; and

21 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was a lifelong member of First United Methodist Church of Chandler, and he contributed countless 22

23 hours to improving his community through his support of numerous

charitable organizations; Mr. Kidd was grateful to have the 24

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- 1 fellowship of Rack Tindel, his best friend for more than 50 years,
- 2 and he took great pleasure in their many quail hunting trips; and
- 3 WHEREAS, While the death of Jerry Kidd brings great sadness
- 4 to all who knew him, he leaves behind a rich legacy of memories and
- 5 achievements, and those who shared in his love and affection will
- 6 forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jerry Quitman Kidd
- 9 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his
- 10 wife, Alice Kidd; to his sons and daughter-in-law, Luster Kidd and
- 11 Greg and Shelly Kidd; to his grandchildren, Kristi, Chad, Ashley,
- 12 and Chelsea Kidd; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jerry
- 17 Quitman Kidd.