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H.R. No. 1313

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories  
2 of George H. Ferguson, Jr., of Baytown, who passed away on March 6,  
3 2011, at the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, George Ferguson was born in Houston on January 30,  
5 1923, to George Harley Ferguson, Sr., and Mary Eden Norton  
6 Ferguson; he grew up in Lynchburg and Highlands, and he graduated  
7 from Pasadena High School in 1939; and

8 WHEREAS, A member of the Texas A&M University class of 1943,  
9 Mr. Ferguson took time away from his studies to answer his nation's  
10 call to duty during World War II; he served as a captain in the U.S.  
11 Army in the Philippines and was proud to have appeared in a  
12 photograph of the 1946 Aggie Muster that was taken on the island of  
13 Corregidor; he finished his education after the war, graduating in  
14 1948; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Ferguson subsequently pursued a career in the  
16 petroleum industry; he joined Humble Oil and Refining Company in  
17 the late 1940s and retired from Exxon in 1984; in the years that  
18 followed, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling with his wife,  
19 and he contributed to his community as a longtime member of the  
20 Rotary Club of Baytown; and

21 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Ferguson shared a  
22 fulfilling marriage with his wife, Doris, and together they were  
23 blessed with three sons, George, Lawrence, and Thomas; his life was  
24 further enriched by six grandchildren and five

1 great-grandchildren; a loyal Aggie to the end, he was proud that all  
2 three of his sons and two of his grandchildren graduated from his  
3 alma mater; and

4 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to share in the friendship  
5 and love of George Ferguson will always remember him with great  
6 admiration and affection; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of George H. Ferguson,  
9 Jr., and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to  
10 his wife of 67 years, Doris Ferguson; to his sons, George Harley  
11 Ferguson III and his wife, Barbara, Lawrence Alan Ferguson and his  
12 wife, Glenda, and Thomas Carroll Ferguson and his wife, Pat; to his  
13 grandchildren, Patrick Alan Ferguson, Michael Lawrence Ferguson,  
14 Tracy Ferguson Wheelis, Amy Ferguson Kohan, Matthew Thomas  
15 Ferguson, and Kristen Elizabeth Ferguson; to his  
16 great-grandchildren, Spencer Patrick Ferguson, LauraMae Rose  
17 Ferguson, Abigail Ruth Wheelis, Isaac Matthew Wheelis, and Robert  
18 Lawrence Ferguson; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be  
19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of George H.  
23 Ferguson, Jr.