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H.R. No. 1319

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of an
2 esteemed Texan, Sam Milton Bussey, Jr., of Dallas, who passed away
3 on March 13, 2011, at the age of 86; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Shelby County on July 1, 1924, to Sam Milton
5 Bussey, Sr., and Lona Bussey, Sam Bussey, Jr., moved to Dallas in
6 1948; he founded the Bussey Trucking company, which he led as
7 president, and the family business has been in operation for nearly
8 five decades; and

9 WHEREAS, A strong supporter of civic and arts organizations,
10 Mr. Bussey contributed to educational institutions such as Paul
11 Quinn College, Wiley College, and St. Philip's School and Community
12 Center, as well as to the Urban League of Greater Dallas and North
13 Central Texas, the Black Academy of Arts and Letters, and the March
14 of Dimes; through the Sam and Ruth Bussey Foundation, he and his
15 wife donated to the Dallas Black Dance Theatre and other groups, and
16 he was recognized for his generosity by the Martin Luther King, Jr.
17 Community Center, the African American Museum Dallas, and the
18 Dallas Regional Chamber of Commerce; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Bussey enjoyed gardening and playing dominoes
20 in his free time; a member of Riverside Missionary Baptist Church
21 for a half-century, he also served as an usher there; and

22 WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, Ruth, with whom he shared 64
23 years, Mr. Bussey's family included five children, Milton,
24 Anthony, Beverly, Ladine, and the late Larry Bussey, who preceded

1 his father in death; and

2 WHEREAS, Sam Bussey, Jr., will be deeply missed by all those
3 who were privileged to share in the richness of his life, and they
4 will forever remember him with admiration and affection; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Sam Milton Bussey,
8 Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
9 his wife, Ruth Ola Bussey; to his sons, Milton Bussey and his wife,
10 Cheryl, and Anthony Bussey and his wife, Levon; to his daughters,
11 Beverly Gipson and her husband, Joseph, and Ladine Gathwright and
12 her husband, Willie; to his brothers, Warren, Thomas, and William
13 Bussey; to his sisters, Addie Bussey, Evie Curry, and Tilda Holman;
14 to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and to his other
15 relatives and friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sam Bussey,
19 Jr.