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H.R. No. 1654

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The City of Houston is paying tribute to the life and
2 accomplishments of Judge Herbert Wing Gee with the dedication of a
3 municipal court building in his honor on May 1, 2011; and

4 WHEREAS, A Bayou City native, Herbert Gee graduated from Sam
5 Houston High School and attended Texas Tech University and The
6 University of Texas before earning a bachelor's degree in
7 mathematics from the University of Houston; he taught math at Jeff
8 Davis High School from 1966 to 1969, while at the same time pursuing
9 a juris doctorate from South Texas College of Law; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Gee went on to become an assistant attorney
11 assigned to the City of Houston Municipal Courts; through the
12 years, he also served as an associate judge and as a prosecutor in
13 other municipalities, including Spring Valley, Stafford, The
14 Meadows, and Mount Belvieu, and he enjoyed a successful private
15 practice, specializing in several areas of law; and

16 WHEREAS, In 2000, Houston mayor Lee Brown appointed Mr. Gee
17 as a municipal court judge, and he was subsequently selected as the
18 court's administrative judge and then its associate presiding
19 judge; he was known for his sharp intellect and commitment to
20 justice for all, and he mentored many members of his profession; and

21 WHEREAS, Judge Gee belonged to the Federal Bar Association,
22 the State Bar of Texas, and the Houston Bar Association, and he was
23 a founding member of the Asian American Bar Association of Houston;
24 moreover, he was often a guest speaker at legal seminars and

1 conferences; and

2 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, he enjoyed the love and
3 support of his wife of 44 years, Cynthia, and their son, Jeffrey; he
4 and his extended family formed the Gee Family Association Education
5 Fund of Greater Houston to support students of Asian descent in
6 attaining a college education; and

7 WHEREAS, Although Judge Gee passed away on March 12, 2011, he
8 made a lasting difference in the lives of his fellow citizens, and
9 his vision, leadership, and civic spirit remain a continuing source
10 of inspiration; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
12 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of the Herbert Gee
13 Municipal Courts Building and honor the memory of Judge Gee.