

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of Porter  
2 Renfro, Jr., of Houston, who passed away on April 22, 2011, at the  
3 age of 81; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Corsicana on October 6, 1929, Mr. Renfro was  
5 the fourth of 12 children of the Reverend Porter Renfro, Sr., and  
6 Marie Allen Renfro; at the age of 18, he joined the military, and he  
7 served his country with distinction as a member of the U.S. Army;  
8 and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Renfro returned to Corsicana after his honorable  
10 discharge from the service, and he later settled in Houston; an  
11 entrepreneur in the hair care industry early in his career, he  
12 subsequently worked for Coach USA bus lines and went on to have a  
13 notable tenure with American Gear that spanned more than 25 years;  
14 and

15           WHEREAS, In 1969, Mr. Renfro married the love of his life,  
16 Althea, with whom he had a blended family; he was the devoted father  
17 of seven children, David, Carolyn, Porter Renfro III, Porter Renfro  
18 IV, Algenita, Jacky, and Francine; and

19           WHEREAS, A valued resident of the Fifth Ward community, this  
20 esteemed gentleman was a friend and mentor to many; sharing his  
21 talent and skill as a boxer, he taught area young people the sport  
22 and encouraged them to maximize their potential; also active in  
23 Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, he ably served the  
24 congregation as a deacon; and

1           WHEREAS, Porter Renfro, Jr., enjoyed a life that was rich in  
2 the intangibles that matter most, and he is deeply missed by all  
3 those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Porter Renfro, Jr.,  
6 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his  
7 wife, Althea; to his children, David Earl, Carolyn Patrice, Porter  
8 Renfro III, Porter Renfro IV, Algenita and her husband, Ardie, and  
9 Jacky and his wife, Cynthia; to his 20 grandchildren and 40  
10 great-grandchildren; to his five sisters; and to his other  
11 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

12           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Porter  
15 Renfro, Jr.

Dutton  
Turner  
Giddings

Straus	Gonzales of Williamson	Morrison
Aliseda	Gonzalez	Munoz, Jr.
Allen	Gooden	Murphy
Alonzo	Guillen	Naishtat
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Nash
Anchia	Hamilton	Oliveira
Anderson of Dallas	Hancock	Orr
Anderson of McLennan	Hardcastle	Otto
Aycock	Harless	Parker
Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
Berman	Hartnett	Paxton
Bohac	Hernandez Luna	Pena
Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
Brown	Hopson	Pickett
Burkett	Howard of Fort Bend	Pitts
Burnam	Howard of Travis	Price
Button	Huberty	Quintanilla
Cain	Hughes	Raymond
Callegari	Hunter	Reynolds
Carter	Isaac	Riddle
Castro	Jackson	Ritter
Chisum	Johnson	Rodriguez
Christian	Keffer	Schwertner
Coleman	King of Parker	Scott
Cook	King of Taylor	Sheets
Craddick	King of Zavala	Sheffield
Creighton	Kleinschmidt	Shelton
Crownover	Kolkhorst	Simpson
Darby	Kuempel	Smith of Harris
Davis of Dallas	Landtroop	Smith of Tarrant
J. Davis of Harris	Larson	Smithee
S. Davis of Harris	Laubenberg	Solomons
Deshotel	Lavender	Strama
Driver	Legler	Taylor of Collin
Dukes	Lewis	Taylor of Galveston
Dutton	Lozano	Thompson
Eiland	Lucio III	Torres
Eissler	Lyne	Truitt
Elkins	Madden	Turner
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Margo	Villarreal
Fletcher	Marquez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez	Walle
Frullo	Martinez Fischer	Weber
Gallego	McClendon	White
Garza	Menendez	Woolley
Geren	Miles	Workman
Giddings	Miller of Comal	Zedler
Gonzales of Hidalgo	Miller of Erath	Zerwas

H.R. No. 1656

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1656 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 29, 2011.

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Chief Clerk of the House