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H.C.R. No. 12

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
2 memories of Franklin Joseph Homer, Sr., of Paris, Texas, who passed
3 away on August 16, 2012, at the age of 77; and

4 WHEREAS, Frank Homer was born on May 1, 1935, in McAlester,
5 Oklahoma, to Nimrod and Sabina Victoria Stizza Homer; after
6 graduating from McAlester High School, he went on to attend
7 Oklahoma State University; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Homer was joined in marriage with Molly Jo
9 Bernsasky in 1958, and they shared a loving relationship that
10 spanned more than 54 years; he was a caring father to his four
11 children, Karen, Mark, Frank, and Monica, and he later had the
12 pleasure of seeing his family grow to include 11 grandchildren and a
13 great-granddaughter; and

14 WHEREAS, A pioneering businessman, Mr. Homer opened the first
15 Sonic Drive-In franchise in the State of Texas, which began
16 operations in Paris in 1964; he later expanded his holdings to
17 include a total of 14 Sonic locations in the Lone Star State as well
18 as others in Oklahoma and Florida; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Homer was deeply engaged in the civic life of
20 Paris, serving as the director of the Lamar County Chamber of
21 Commerce and the Boys Club of Paris and as a member of the advisory
22 board of St. Joseph's Hospital; he also played a prominent role in
23 the congregation at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, and the
24 concern and support he showed for his fellow residents made a

1 positive difference in many lives; and

2 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to share in the friendship
3 and love of Frank Homer will always remember him with great
4 admiration and affection, and the contributions he made to his
5 adopted hometown will continue to be appreciated for many years to
6 come; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas,
8 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Franklin
9 Joseph Homer, Sr., and extend sincere condolences to the members of
10 his family: to his wife, Molly Homer; to his children, Karen Bailey
11 and her husband, Chris, former state representative Mark Homer,
12 Frank Homer, Jr., and his wife, Claudia, and Monica Clement and her
13 husband, Eddie; to his grandchildren, Jason Bailey and his wife,
14 Holly, Cade Bailey, Hanna Homer, Harrison Homer, Hayden Homer,
15 Danny Martinez, Emma Homer, Franklin "Paco" Homer III, Avery
16 Clement, Mollie Clement, and Adam Clement; to his
17 great-granddaughter, Londyn Bailey; to his sister-in-law, Sara
18 Homer; to his nephew, John B. Homer; to his niece, Susie Hass; to
19 his cousin, Elizabeth Riddle; and to his other relatives and
20 friends; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
24 Franklin Joseph Homer, Sr.