

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Jack Dennis McCullough, Jr., of Nacogdoches, an
2 esteemed educator and community leader, passed away on June 16,
3 2013, at the age of 81; and

4 WHEREAS, A sixth-generation Texan, Jack McCullough was born
5 in San Antonio on August 8, 1931, to Colonel Jack D. McCullough and
6 Helen Williams McCullough; he graduated from Stephenville High
7 School, Tarleton Junior College, and The University of Texas at
8 Austin; earning National Science Foundation Scholarships, he went
9 on to receive a master's degree from Stephen F. Austin State
10 University and a doctoral degree in biology and oceanography from
11 Texas A&M University; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. McCullough was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant
13 in the U.S. Army, and he served his country with distinction for
14 seven years, achieving the rank of captain before his honorable
15 discharge; early in his notable career in education, he worked as a
16 biology teacher with the Houston Independent School District and
17 with Texas A&M University; in 1964, he settled in Nacogdoches,
18 where he joined the biology department at his alma mater, SFA; and

19 WHEREAS, During his outstanding 36-year tenure,
20 Dr. McCullough served as director of the environmental science
21 graduate studies program and published more than 50 scientific
22 papers, many of which were presented at state, national, and
23 international scientific conferences; he was awarded a number of
24 honors for his work, including the Regents Professor Award for

1 Research, the Distinguished Professor Award from the Alumni
2 Association, and the SFASU Foundation Faculty Achievement Award;
3 outside of the classroom, he served his field as president of the
4 Texas Academy of Science and as editor for the *Texas Journal of*
5 *Science*; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. McCullough was an active member of the
7 Nacogdoches community; in addition to his contributions to a number
8 of local committees, he led historical walking tours through the
9 town and narrated bus tours; he shared his time with the Boy Scouts
10 of America, serving on the Eagle Scout board of review, and was a
11 longtime member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, where he served
12 his congregation as an elder; and

13 WHEREAS, Also a valued leader of Rotary International,
14 Dr. McCullough served the club as president, assistant district
15 governor, and district governor; in his work with the group, he
16 traveled across the country to attend conferences and participated
17 in mission trips to Central America in an effort to help to improve
18 the health and living conditions of villagers; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. McCullough, above all else, was devoted to his
20 family; he was married for 60 years to the former ElaRuth Bankston,
21 with whom he had two sons, Thomas and Bruce; through the years, the
22 couple were further blessed with three grandchildren, Fred,
23 Lindsay, and Miles; and

24 WHEREAS, Though it is impossible to gauge the full effect of a
25 man's life, some individuals leave their unmistakable mark on the
26 world as they move through it, and Jack McCullough's contributions
27 to his community will long resonate in the lives of all who knew

1 him; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
4 of Dr. Jack Dennis McCullough, Jr., and extend deepest sympathy to
5 the members of his family: to his wife, ElaRuth Bankston
6 McCullough; to his sons, Thomas McCullough and his wife, Maria, and
7 Bruce McCullough and his wife, Diana; to his grandchildren, Fred,
8 Lindsay, and Miles; and to his other relatives and many friends;
9 and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Jack
13 Dennis McCullough, Jr.

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H.R. No. 53

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 53 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on July 25, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House