

By: Branch

H.C.R. No. 48

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of admired civic leader George Pierce Cullum, Jr., of  
3 Dallas on January 4, 2013, at the age of 94; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of George and Ethel Cullum, Mr. Cullum was  
5 born in Dallas on May 18, 1918; he earned his bachelor's degree in  
6 civil engineering from Southern Methodist University, and on April  
7 11, 1942, he married the love of his life, the former Kathleen  
8 Moore; the couple became the parents of three treasured children,  
9 Linda, Mark, and Philip, and shared a fulfilling marriage that  
10 spanned nearly seven decades; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Cullum served his country during World War II as  
12 a member of the Naval Construction Battalion; following  
13 demobilization, he joined the firm founded by his father and uncle,  
14 Cullum Construction Company, Inc.; he eventually brought the third  
15 and fourth generations of the family into the business; highly  
16 regarded in his field, he served as president of the Texas Heavy,  
17 Municipal and Utilities Branch of the Associated General  
18 Contractors of America, and he remained active in Cullum  
19 Construction well into his ninth decade; and

20 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his beloved hometown, Mr. Cullum  
21 chaired the Dallas City Plan Commission and the Park Cities Family  
22 YMCA, and he gave generously of his time and talents to many  
23 organizations, among them the Salesmanship Club of Dallas, Rotary  
24 Club of Dallas, and Dallas Country Club; moreover, he was a lifelong

1 member of Oak Lawn United Methodist Church and served the North  
2 Texas Conference of the Methodist Church in a number of capacities;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, This proud SMU graduate was devoted to his alma  
5 mater, which named him a distinguished alumnus of the university  
6 and of the Bobby B. Lyle School of Engineering; his numerous  
7 accolades also included the Dallas Distinguished YMCA Leadership  
8 Award, the Lifetime Service Award from the Rotary Club, and the  
9 Brotherhood Citation from the Dallas Chapter of the National  
10 Conference of Christians and Jews; and

11 WHEREAS, In his free time, Mr. Cullum enjoyed listening to  
12 music, playing piano and organ, and taking trips with his family and  
13 friends; he was particularly fond of travel by sea and took nearly  
14 30 cruises; and

15 WHEREAS, George Cullum was a man of great warmth and  
16 kindness; he left a lasting imprint on the city of Dallas through  
17 his professional achievements and his dedicated community service,  
18 and he will always be remembered with deep admiration by all who  
19 were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas  
21 hereby pay tribute to the life of George Pierce Cullum, Jr., and  
22 extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his  
23 children, Linda Cullum Tunnell and Ray, George Mark Cullum and  
24 Sally, and Philip Houston Cullum and Dale; to his grandchildren,  
25 James Cullum Brownlee and Wendy, Mark Christian Cullum and Becky,  
26 Leigh Cullum Langner and Jason, Carolina Cullum Martin and Matthew,  
27 Susannah Cullum McGown and Patrick, Elizabeth Cullum Clarke and

1 Buddy, George Pierce Cullum III and Ali, and Callie Linda Cullum; to  
2 his great-grandchildren, Kamryn, Cullum, George, Drew, David,  
3 Elise, Daniel, and Holly; to his sister, Marion Cullum Griffith;  
4 and to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it further

5       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House  
7 of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory  
8 of George Pierce Cullum, Jr.