

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost an admired public servant  
2 with the passing of former three-term Eagle Pass mayor Chad Foster  
3 on July 28, 2012, at the age of 63; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in 1949 to Martha and Cozel Foster, Chad Foster  
5 studied agricultural science at Texas Tech University and went on  
6 to have a notable career in real estate; elected mayor of Eagle Pass  
7 in 2004, he was returned to office by the voters again in 2006 and  
8 2008 for his strong leadership; throughout his tenure, he remained  
9 committed to creating a brighter future for the region by seeking to  
10 advance education, health care, security, transportation, and  
11 workforce initiatives; and

12           WHEREAS, Mr. Foster further advocated for improved  
13 residential services in the colonias that lack potable water, sewer  
14 systems, electricity, and paved roads; in his role as chair of the  
15 Texas Border Coalition, a group focused on economic and development  
16 issues affecting towns along the Texas-Mexico border, he championed  
17 the concerns of many South Texans regarding the Secure Fence Act;  
18 and

19           WHEREAS, Appointed by Governor Rick Perry to the Texas  
20 Department of Transportation Border Trade Advisory Committee, he  
21 also contributed his expertise through his involvement in the  
22 Alliance for Security and Trade, the Middle Rio Grande Regional  
23 Review Committee, and the Border 2012 Amistad District; and

24           WHEREAS, Mr. Foster embraced the vibrancy and culture of

1 South Texas, and his affability, candor, and fluent Spanish helped  
2 him to foster strong relationships both north and south of the  
3 border; his pride in being a Texan was readily apparent to people in  
4 Eagle Pass, the neighboring Mexican town of Piedras Negras, and  
5 even the halls of Congress by the signature tan-colored cowboy hat  
6 he wore, which he called his "Texas toupee"; and

7 WHEREAS, Though it is impossible to gauge the full effect of a  
8 man's life, some individuals leave their unmistakable mark on the  
9 world as they move through it, and Chad Foster's contributions and  
10 achievements will long resonate in the community and state he  
11 called home; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Chad Foster and  
14 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,  
15 Jill Foster; to his son, Chad Foster, Jr.; to his daughter, Savannah  
16 Foster; to his parents, Martha and Cozel Foster; to his three  
17 sisters, Sheri Blake, Sheila Evans, and Shelle McMillan; and to his  
18 many other friends and admirers; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Chad  
22 Foster.

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Bell	Hernandez Luna	Phillips
Bohac	Herrero	Pickett
Bonnen of Brazoria	Hilderbran	Pitts
Bonnen of Galveston	Howard	Price
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Burkett	Hughes	Ratliff
Burnam	Hunter	Raymond
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Canales	Kacal	Ritter
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H.R. No. 388

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 388 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2013.

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Chief Clerk of the House