

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texas is fortunate to have generous and engaged
2 citizens like Dr. Walter D. Wilkerson, Jr., of Conroe, who has made
3 many significant contributions to the state and to Montgomery
4 County; and

5 WHEREAS, After graduating from high school in Bryan, Walter
6 Wilkerson earned his bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University
7 and his medical degree from The University of Texas Southwestern
8 Medical School in Dallas; he completed an internship in Houston
9 before joining the U.S. Navy as a general medical officer in 1956;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Wilkerson began practicing family medicine in
12 Conroe in 1958; over the course of a career that spanned nearly four
13 decades, he also mentored medical students as an assistant clinical
14 professor of family practice at the Baylor College of Medicine and
15 The University of Texas Health Science Center; he further
16 contributed to his profession as an active member of the Texas
17 Medical Association, the Texas Academy of Family Physicians, and
18 the American Academy of Family Physicians; a Charter Diplomate with
19 the American Board of Family Practice, he has served on the boards
20 of Doctors Hospital, Conroe Regional Medical Center, and the
21 Community Clinic; moreover, he was named the Texas Family Physician
22 of the Year and the recipient of the prestigious Sam A. Nixon, M.D.,
23 Leadership Award; and

24 WHEREAS, Recognized for his leadership on collective health

1 issues, Dr. Wilkerson was appointed in 1995 to a six-year term as
2 the chair of the Texas Board of Health; under his thoughtful
3 guidance, the board advocated a cooperative environment,
4 developing strong partnerships with physicians, local policy
5 makers, and business leaders to enable improved wellness for all
6 Texans; and

7 WHEREAS, Passionate about political causes, Dr. Wilkerson
8 has chaired the Montgomery County Republican Party since 1964; he
9 was a member of the state executive committee for over a decade and
10 was named as a delegate for the 1968 and 1972 Republican national
11 conventions; for his commendable work in behalf of the GOP, he was
12 given the Visionary Leadership Award by state party officials,
13 honored for meritorious service by the county chairs association,
14 and presented with the Lifetime Achievement Hats Off Award from the
15 Associated Republicans of Texas; in addition, Montgomery County
16 selected him as its Outstanding Citizen in 1974; and

17 WHEREAS, Throughout his endeavors, Dr. Wilkerson has enjoyed
18 the love and support of his wife of 58 years, Neddie Jane, and he
19 takes great pride in their two children and four grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Walter Wilkerson has long made a positive
21 difference in Montgomery County and beyond, and he has set an
22 outstanding example of professional achievement and civic
23 engagement to which all may aspire; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
25 Legislature hereby commend Dr. Walter D. Wilkerson, Jr., for his
26 efforts in behalf of his fellow citizens and extend to him sincere
27 best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Dr. Wilkerson as an expression of high regard by the
3 Texas House of Representatives.

Toth
Bell
Riddle
Callegari
Farney
Murphy

Creighton
Fletcher
Bonnen of Galveston
S. Davis of Harris
Miller of Fort Bend
Stephenson

H.R. No. 949

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 949 was adopted by the House on March 27, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House