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H.R. No. 1164

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Respected oilman Deane Stoltz is being honored for
2 his notable career with his posthumous induction into the Petroleum
3 Hall of Fame on April 18, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, The Petroleum Hall of Fame, which is based at the
5 Permian Basin Petroleum Museum in Midland, recognizes individuals
6 who have made outstanding contributions to the development of the
7 petroleum industry or who have inspired others through their
8 achievements, service, or strength of character; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Stoltz was born in Ottumwa, Iowa, on April 3,
10 1929; he graduated from Northwestern University and went on to
11 serve in the U.S. Navy before settling in Midland in 1955;
12 originally working as an independent oil operator, he went on to
13 partner with Cyril Wagner and Jack Brown to form Stoltz and Company;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, The business later merged with Tipperary Land and
16 Exploration, which Mr. Stoltz served as president and chair of the
17 board; following his resignation in 1989, he drew on his many
18 decades of experience to establish his own independent oil and gas
19 company; and

20 WHEREAS, This engaged Texan was active in his community,
21 serving as president of the Midland ISD board of trustees, chair of
22 the Alexis de Tocqueville Society, and officer of the local United
23 Way; he was also a charter member of the Midland Community Theatre
24 board of trustees and chair of the Midland Presbyterian Homes board

1 of trustees and the Permian Basin Area Foundation; and

2 WHEREAS, West Texas lost this esteemed business and civic
3 leader when he passed away on January 29, 2006, at the age of 76; and

4 WHEREAS, Deane Stoltz truly distinguished himself as an
5 influential figure in an industry that is such a vital part of the
6 Texas economy, and he is indeed a worthy addition to the hall of
7 fame; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
9 Legislature hereby honor the memory of Deane Stoltz on the occasion
10 of his induction into the Petroleum Hall of Fame and pay tribute to
11 him for his many worthwhile accomplishments; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for Mr. Stoltz's family as an expression of high regard by
14 the Texas House of Representatives.