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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
- 2 memories of Joseph Allison Phillips of Houston, who died on March
- 3 10, 2012, at the age of 75; and
- WHEREAS, Joe Phillips was born in Houston on September 8,
- 5 1936, to Otto and Aline Phillips; answering his nation's call to
- 6 duty, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips enjoyed a notable career with the
- 8 Houston Fire Department, working in a variety of posts, including
- 9 public information officer, before retiring in 2011 with 48 years
- 10 of service; active in his community as well, he was a member of
- 11 Reagan Masonic Lodge No. 1037, American Legion Post No. 560, and
- 12 the Scottish Rite; and
- WHEREAS, Friendly and outgoing, Mr. Phillips could often be
- 14 found sitting in his carport, where he engaged every person who
- 15 passed by with a joke or a story; he was known for his interest in
- 16 history and was especially knowledgeable about his hometown;
- 17 moreover, he was a skilled woodworker, and he had a knack for
- 18 repairing engines; in recent years, he took great pleasure in
- 19 riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips shared 53 years of marriage with his
- 21 wife, Patricia Lindsay Phillips, and the couple were blessed with
- 22 three children, Cynthia, Michael, and Stacey; and
- WHEREAS, A proud Marine, firefighter, and native Houstonian,
- 24 Joe Phillips lived a rich and purposeful life centered around his

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- 1 family and friends, and he will long be remembered with deep
- 2 affection by all those who were privileged to know him; now,
- 3 therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Joseph Allison
- 6 Phillips and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
- 7 family: to his wife, Patricia "Pat" Lindsay Phillips; to his
- 8 children, Cynthia Laskowski and her husband, Alton, Michael
- 9 Phillips and his wife, Brenda, and Stacey Osceola and her husband,
- 10 Bryant; to his grandchildren, Valerie and Lindsay Laskowski and
- 11 Alex, Brent, and Hannah Phillips; and to his other relatives and
- 12 many friends; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joseph
- 16 Allison Phillips.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1447 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 24, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House