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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories
2 of William Stafford Borden, Jr., of Houston, who passed away on
3 August 23, 2012, at the age of 65; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Houston, Bill Borden was born on
5 November 3, 1946; with a lifelong interest in civic affairs and
6 community service that began when he was a young man, he served as
7 president of the Young Republican Federation Chapter at the
8 University of Houston from 1966 to 1969; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Borden started his professional career with
10 Borden Brothers Realty while still in college; he later held the
11 post of vice president of real estate development for the North
12 Shore Oaks Corporation before opening his own real estate
13 brokerage, appraisal, and consulting business in 1977; and

14 WHEREAS, While successfully pursuing his profession,
15 Mr. Borden remained engaged in politics; he was a Republican
16 precinct chair from 1969 to 2008, and he was a member of the State
17 Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Texas from 1982 to
18 1992; during the 2000 presidential election, he was a delegate to
19 the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia, and in 2004 he
20 served as one of 34 presidential electors representing the State of
21 Texas; in honor of his many contributions, he was named Volunteer of
22 the Year by the state Republican Party in 1999; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Borden played a prominent role in numerous
24 charitable and community organizations as well; he was involved in

1 the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon in Bellaire throughout the
2 1980s, and he served as the president of the Bellaire Unit of the
3 American Heart Association, the Bellaire Historical Society, and
4 the Greater Southwest Houston Chamber of Commerce, which awarded
5 him an honorary life membership in 2002; his efforts were also
6 recognized with a number of other accolades, including a public
7 service award for his volunteer work with the Houston Independent
8 School District in 1977, the Outstanding Young Man of America award
9 for 1980 and 1981 from the United States Junior Chamber Jaycees, and
10 the Mr. Bellaire Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award in 1991; he
11 also received the Houston Fire Department Life Saving Heroism Award
12 in 1978; and

13 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Borden enjoyed the
14 support of his wife, Nancy; he took great pride in his son, Robert
15 Barclift Borden, and he loved nothing more than watching his
16 grandson, Robert, play baseball and his granddaughter, Sara,
17 perform dance routines; and

18 WHEREAS, William Borden led a life that was rich in personal
19 and professional achievements, and his strength of character and
20 his positive, encouraging attitude will be deeply missed by all
21 those who were fortunate enough to know him; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of William Stafford
24 Borden, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his
25 family: to his wife, Nancy; to his son, Robert Barclift Borden II,
26 and his wife, Heidi Sue; to his grandchildren, Robert Barclift
27 Borden III and Sara Lori Janelle Borden; and to his other relatives

1 and friends; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
4 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of William
5 Borden.