

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of Richard Ned Byrd of Paris, Texas, on May 2, 2013, at the  
3 age of 70; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of the Lone Star State, Richard Byrd was  
5 born to Rudolph Lynn and Harvey Sue Byrd in Palestine on December  
6 19, 1942; he went on to establish a successful career as an  
7 educator, and he retired from North Lamar High School after  
8 teaching history and government at the campus for more than 20  
9 years; he was an active church member, and in his spare time he  
10 enjoyed playing the piano; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Byrd shared a rewarding marriage with his wife,  
12 Gail, and he was blessed with a daughter, Katie, whose dedicated  
13 service on the Little Elm City Council was a special source of pride  
14 for her father; through the years, Mr. Byrd had the pleasure of  
15 seeing his family grow to include five grandchildren; and

16           WHEREAS, Richard Byrd treasured the time he spent in the  
17 company of his family and friends, and those he leaves behind will  
18 in turn cherish their memories of this kind and caring man; now,  
19 therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
21 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Richard Ned Byrd and  
22 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,  
23 Gail Byrd; to his daughter, Katie Byrd Gipson; to his brother, Ron  
24 Byrd; to his grandchildren, Lauren, Joe, Jack, Zachary, and Abigail

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1 Gipson; and to his other relatives 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 Richard  
5 Byrd.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2806 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 26, 2013.

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Chief Clerk of the House