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RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, A native of the Lone Star State, Richard Byrd was born to Rudolph Lynn and Harvey Sue Byrd in Palestine on December 19, 1942; he went on to establish a successful career as an educator, and he retired from North Lamar High School after teaching history and government at the campus for more than 20 years; he was an active church member, and in his spare time he 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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Gipson; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family, and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Richard Byrd.