

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The observance of Father's Day on June 15, 2014,  
2 provides a fitting opportunity to reflect on the essence of what it  
3 means to be a father; and

4           WHEREAS, In many of its chapters, including Proverbs,  
5 Deuteronomy, Hebrews, and Psalms, the Bible discusses fatherhood as  
6 the foundation of the family; a true father loves and respects his  
7 wife, the mother of his children, and faithful fathers are a  
8 blessing; and

9           WHEREAS, Popular culture, as depicted on television,  
10 frequently denigrates fatherhood, and many children grow up in  
11 fatherless homes; fathering a child may not be difficult, but being  
12 a father requires a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication, and not  
13 all who are biologically capable possess the necessary moral fiber;  
14 and

15           WHEREAS, The first and most important decision a father makes  
16 is the conscious choice to fulfill the multifaceted  
17 responsibilities of his vital role in the family; he must both  
18 nurture and discipline his children, provide for them, and also  
19 serve as their teacher; above all, he is a role model who instills  
20 faith, enduring values, and a sure sense of right and wrong; and

21           WHEREAS, A century ago, fathers worked at or near their  
22 homes, and children passed a good deal of time in their company,  
23 learning by example an appreciation for the rewards of hard work and  
24 benefiting by their daily wisdom; many parents today are employed

1 some distance away from their homes, making it crucial for fathers  
2 to reflect carefully on the precious hours they have to devote to  
3 the upbringing of their children and on how they may best guide  
4 their sons and daughters to help them flourish and become happy,  
5 productive citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, Being a father means accepting the solemn duty of  
7 molding and shaping the next generation, and on Father's Day, we  
8 salute those who have stepped forward and taken up this challenging  
9 yet rewarding responsibility; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
11 Legislature hereby commemorate Father's Day 2014 and honor the  
12 caring men who have dedicated their lives to building strong  
13 families and a bright future for those who follow in their  
14 footsteps.

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Speaker of the House

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