SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 760

In Memory of James Raguet Irion III

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of James Raguet Irion III, who died April 8, 2013, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, Jim Irion was born February 2, 1932, in Wichita Falls into a pioneering Texas family; his great-grandfather served as Sam Houston's secretary of state and was ambassador to England and France for the Republic of Texas, and his great-grandmother designed the official seal for the Republic of Texas, which is still used today by the state; and

WHEREAS, He was married for 41 years to Veneice Matlock Irion, and the couple was blessed with four children and seven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Jim graduated from Texas Christian University and earned a degree from The University of Texas School of Law; he enjoyed a long and fulfilling career in the practice of law, and he spent his entire life in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, He was known for his engaging sense of humor and his radiant smile, and he had a unique ability to make everyone he met feel at home; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, compassion, and exceptional kindness, he gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, He was a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of James Raguet Irion III; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James Raguet Irion III.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 25, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate