

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close on October
2 18, 2014, with the death of Dr. Richard Earl Morris of Arlington at
3 the age of 83; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Morris was born on September 25, 1931, in
5 Woodward, Oklahoma, to Winfield and Sylvia Morris; after graduating
6 from Woodward High School in 1949, he answered his nation's call to
7 duty and joined the U.S. Air Force in 1950; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1955, Richard Morris enrolled at the University
9 of Oklahoma, and he graduated from the university's school of
10 medicine in 1963; that same year, he embarked on his medical career
11 as an intern at Dallas Methodist Hospital, and in 1964, he began his
12 residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital; he joined the
13 Anesthesiology Association of Arlington in 1967 and received his
14 board certification in 1970; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Morris returned to Parkland in 1972 as an
16 associate professor and as the burn unit's head of anesthesiology;
17 the following year, he joined the staff of Dallas Children's
18 Hospital, where he served as head of anesthesiology for the next 11
19 years; in 1984, he returned to private practice with the
20 Anesthesiology Association of Arlington, and he retired in 2007;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Dr. Morris enjoyed the love
23 and support of his wife, Ann, and of his three daughters; and

24 WHEREAS, While the death of Richard Morris brings

1 immeasurable sorrow to his family and friends, he leaves behind a
2 record of exemplary service that will long be treasured by all those
3 who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Earl Morris
6 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his
7 wife of 47 years, Ann Morris; to his daughters, Janna Morris, Shelly
8 Beasecker, and Tami Morris; to his grandchildren, S. Christopher
9 Shipe, Jaquelyne Shipe, Garrett Elliott, Richard Beasecker, and
10 Mitchell Beasecker; to his sister, Opal Dunsworth; and to his other
11 relatives and friends; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of
15 Dr. Richard Earl Morris.

Turner of Tarrant

H.R. No. 99

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 99 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 19, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House