

By: Bonnen of Brazoria

H.R. No. 737

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Lake Jackson lost an esteemed business
2 and community leader with the passing of James Michael Lowrey on
3 August 31, 2014, at the age of 70; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Sweetwater on June 24, 1944, Mike Lowrey was
5 the son of Wallace and Marguerite Lowrey; he graduated from
6 Brazosport High School and earned a bachelor's degree in management
7 from Lamar University, before returning to Brazoria County to work
8 as a loader at Win-Way Scaffold Builders; he rose through the ranks
9 at the firm and later purchased a controlling interest and renamed
10 the business Miken Specialties; he served as president and CEO of
11 the company until 2008; and

12 WHEREAS, This respected businessman also contributed to his
13 community, serving as a board member for Texas Gulf Bancshares and
14 Texas Gulf Bank and as a commissioner and chair for the City of Port
15 Freeport; he gave freely of his time and talents to the 100 Club of
16 Brazoria County, United Way, Junior Achievement of Brazoria County,
17 and other worthy organizations; moreover, he made several generous
18 donations to institutions in the area through the Mike and Leslie
19 Lowrey Foundation, funding an emergency service center for the
20 Brazosport Regional Health System and providing financial
21 assistance to Brazosport College; and

22 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mr. Lowrey was recognized with a
23 number of prestigious accolades, earning induction into the
24 Brazoria County Business Hall of Fame and receiving the

1 Philanthropist of the Year Award from the Community Foundation of
2 Brazoria County, among others; and

3 WHEREAS, Blessed with a fine family, Mr. Lowrey enjoyed a
4 rewarding marriage of nearly 50 years with his wife, Leslie; and

5 WHEREAS, Mike Lowrey made a meaningful difference in the
6 lives of his loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and he will be
7 missed and fondly remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be
8 it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of James Michael Lowrey
11 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
12 wife, Leslie Lowrey; to his children and grandchildren; and to his
13 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mike
17 Lowrey.