

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the friends and loved
3 ones of Harry Ben Adams III of San Antonio, who passed away on
4 August 7, 2014, at the age of 70; and

5 WHEREAS, The son of Harry Ben Adams II and Dorothy Lyons
6 Adams, Mr. Adams was born on August 12, 1943, in San Antonio; after
7 graduating from Edison High School, he attended San Antonio College
8 and St. Mary's University, earning a degree from the university's
9 school of law; and

10 WHEREAS, Licensed to practice law in 1967, Mr. Adams began
11 his career in legal aid services, and he helped to take a landmark
12 case before the United States Supreme Court that eventually
13 overturned the Texas law denying the right to paternal support for
14 children born out of wedlock; he later established a law firm with
15 his friends while teaching real estate law courses at night; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Adams continued to develop his expertise over
17 the years, specializing in consumer, real estate, and family law;
18 he went on to create an independent firm in Universal City, where
19 his strong reputation among municipal leaders won him the position
20 of city attorney; he additionally served as the staff attorney for
21 the economic development corporations of Hollywood Park and
22 Windcrest and as an attorney for business magnate Red McCombs, with
23 whom he shared a close friendship; and

24 WHEREAS, Harry Adams's commitment to his community and

1 profession was surpassed only by his devotion to his family; he
2 enjoyed a rewarding marriage of nearly five decades with his wife,
3 the former Beverly Ball, and he took great pride in his children,
4 Terra and Harry, and in his seven grandchildren; passionate about
5 travel, Mr. Adams ventured with his wife to destinations as
6 far-flung as Africa, Holland, Jerusalem, and Hawaii, and when at
7 home, he enjoyed preparing gourmet dishes for friends and family; a
8 man of devout faith, he was also a valued member of Community Bible
9 Church; and

10 WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Harry Adams
11 will long remember his strength of character and generosity of
12 spirit, and they will forever hold him close in their hearts; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Harry Ben Adams III
16 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
17 wife, Beverly Ball Adams; to his children, Terra Hynes and her
18 husband, Jack, and Harry Ben Adams IV and his fiancée, Charisse
19 Scott; to his brother, Richard Adams, and his wife, Cathy; to his
20 grandchildren, Ricky, Ben, Samuel, Julia, Faith, Channing, and
21 Cate; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Harry Ben
25 Adams III.

Martinez Fischer

H.R. No. 1312

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1312 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 9, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House