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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Richard
2 Leo Harrell of Portland, who died on March 3, 2015, at the age of 61;
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4 WHEREAS, The son of Leo and Doris Harrell, Richard Harrell
5 was born in Shreveport, Louisiana, on December 2, 1953; he
6 completed his bachelor's degree in history and his law degree at
7 Louisiana State University before going on to earn a master of laws
8 in admiralty degree from Tulane Law School; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Harrell married the love of his life, Rosalba,
10 during his law school years; they became the proud parents of three
11 children, Richard, Katherine, and Rebecca; devoted to his family,
12 he instilled strong morals and a love of education in his son and
13 daughters, and he taught them to be both open-minded and pragmatic;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, A civil litigator, Mr. Harrell practiced maritime
16 law in Houston and then moved to Corpus Christi to join the Edwards
17 Law Firm; he was later of counsel to Royston, Rayzor, Vickery &
18 Williams as well as the Depew Law Firm; in 2011, he established his
19 own practice; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Harrell was a scintillating and
21 thought-provoking conversationalist with a wide range of
22 knowledge, encompassing philosophy, politics, history, and
23 genealogy, among other subjects; moreover, he was a good listener
24 and relished the exchange of ideas; and

1 WHEREAS, Richard Harrell enjoyed a life that was rich in the
2 intangibles that matter most, and he will forever hold a special
3 place in the hearts of all those who were fortunate enough to know
4 him; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Richard Leo Harrell
7 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his
8 wife, Rosalba Harrell; to his children, Richard, Katherine, and
9 Rebecca Harrell; to his brother, Ronald Ventis Harrell; to his
10 sister, Regina Katherine Coker; and to his many other relatives and
11 friends; and, be it further

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