

By: Price

H.R. No. 2746

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The death of former Texas state representative
2 Lawrence Dean Cobb on January 31, 2015, at the age of 78, brought a
3 great loss to his family and friends; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Marlin on May 16, 1936, Dean Cobb was the son
5 of Lawrence Morgan Cobb and Ruth Day Bladen; he attended The
6 University of Texas at Austin on a track scholarship, and he served
7 his country as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army and as commander
8 of the 36th Division of the Texas Army National Guard in Dumas;
9 after graduating from Baylor Law School in 1962, he began his legal
10 practice in Dumas as a partner in Lovell, Lyle, and Cobb; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb served as Moore County attorney before
12 winning election to the Texas House of Representatives in 1968;
13 over the course of three terms in office, he served as chair of the
14 interim Medical Welfare Program Committee and as vice chair of the
15 Oil, Gas, and Mining Committee, the Human Resources Subcommittee on
16 Public Welfare, and the Automatic Data Processing in State
17 Government Committee; and

18 WHEREAS, Following his tenure in the legislature, Mr. Cobb
19 became a resident partner with Bracewell and Patterson,
20 establishing its Austin office; he opened a solo practice in 1986;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Cobb was active in a number of professional and
23 philanthropic organizations, serving on the boards of the State Bar
24 of Texas, the Texas Young Lawyers Association, and the Texas

1 Industries for the Blind and Handicapped, and he was a founding
2 board member of the Texas Union Advisory Council; in addition, he
3 was a life member of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient Free and
4 Accepted Masons; in his leisure, he enjoyed traveling with friends,
5 reading, golfing, running, and cheering for the Texas Longhorn
6 athletic teams; and

7 WHEREAS, Above all, Dean Cobb cherished the time spent with
8 his loved ones, and those who were privileged to know him will
9 forever treasure their memories of this true gentleman, friend, and
10 scholar; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of the Honorable
13 Lawrence Dean Cobb and extend sincere condolences to the members of
14 his family: to his wife, Kathleen Garcia Cobb; to his daughters,
15 Kendall Cobb Courtney and her husband, David, Courtney Cobb
16 Langford and her husband, Keith, and Susanna Cobb Butler and her
17 husband, Marty; to his grandchildren, Sarah, Huck, Clark, and
18 Sally; to his brother, Donald Cobb, and his wife, Susan; to his
19 first wife, Patricia Threadgill McNamara; to his godson, Bill
20 Marsh, and his wife, Elizabeth; and to his many other relatives and
21 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 Lawrence
25 Dean Cobb.