

By: Craddick

H.C.R. No. 134

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Joseph I. O'Neill III of Midland has greatly
2 benefited his fellow citizens through his outstanding
3 contributions as a business and civic leader; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Los Angeles, California, Joey O'Neill
5 earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Notre
6 Dame in 1967 and a master of business administration degree from the
7 University of Michigan in 1968; after completing his graduate
8 studies, he proudly served his country as a member of the U.S. Army
9 12th Special Forces Group in 1968 and 1969, followed by five years
10 in the reserves, during which he was assigned to the 12th Special
11 Forces and the 458th Military Intelligence Detachment; and

12 WHEREAS, Since 1972, Mr. O'Neill has been a managing partner
13 in O'Neill Properties, Ltd., following in the footsteps of his late
14 father, the renowned oilman Joseph I. O'Neill Jr.; highly respected
15 by his peers in the industry, Joey O'Neill has played a prominent
16 role in the Texas Oil and Gas Association, serving as a district
17 vice president and as a member of the board and the executive
18 committee, and he has held several offices with the U.S. Oil and Gas
19 Association, the Independent Petroleum Association, and the
20 Permian Basin Petroleum Association; and

21 WHEREAS, Dedicated to giving back to his community,
22 Mr. O'Neill has been active with the Midland Chamber of Commerce as
23 a member of its board of directors and the Forward Midland
24 committee; his support of Midland Memorial Hospital has encompassed

1 such leadership responsibilities as chairing the hospital's
2 foundation and serving on its board of governors, board of
3 trustees, and strategic planning committee; moreover, he has held
4 the titles of president and campaign chair for the United Way of
5 Midland and has helped guide the Midland Symphony and Chorus
6 Association in addition to assisting numerous other organizations
7 and institutions, including Midland College and The University of
8 Texas of the Permian Basin; a longtime member of the Republican
9 Party, he has been a delegate to the party's national and state
10 conventions on a number of occasions and was regional finance chair
11 for George W. Bush's gubernatorial and presidential campaigns; and

12 WHEREAS, This tireless volunteer has remained a loyal alumnus
13 of Notre Dame, having served on the university's board of trustees
14 for many years; he has also lent his time and insight to the Notre
15 Dame Athletic Affairs Committee and has likewise been part of the
16 College of Engineering Advisory Council and the board of directors
17 for the University of Notre Dame Alumni Association, which he
18 previously led as president; and

19 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. O'Neill enjoys the love
20 and encouragement of Jan O'Neill, his devoted wife of 45 years; they
21 are the proud parents of a daughter, Catherine, and a son, Patrick,
22 and they have two treasured granddaughters, Molly and Maeve; and

23 WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Joey O'Neill has set an
24 inspiring example of the good that one dedicated individual can
25 accomplish, and he may reflect with great pride on his sterling
26 record of service to his profession, his community, and his alma
27 mater; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the 85th Legislature of the State of Texas
2 hereby honor Joseph I. O'Neill III for his exceptional achievements
3 as a business and civic leader and extend to him sincere best wishes
4 for the future; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Mr. O'Neill as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.