

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 passing of Bill Brabbin of Abilene on January 24, 2017, at the age
3 of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Milford and Thelma Brabbin, Bill Brabbin
5 was born in Merkel on November 8, 1928, and grew up with the
6 companionship of three brothers, Donald, Fred, and Jerry; he
7 answered his nation's call to duty in 1946 and served overseas in
8 Guam and Tokyo before his military discharge in 1949; and

9 WHEREAS, After returning to civilian life, Mr. Brabbin
10 established the Brabbin Construction Company, and he spent over
11 half a century building homes in Abilene and Brownwood; he
12 contributed to his professional community as president of the Big
13 Country Home Builders Association, the Abilene Home Builders
14 Association, and the Abilene Association of Realtors and as a
15 director of the National Association of Home Builders; an honorary
16 member of BCHBA, he was presented with the 1995 Raymond Thomason
17 Award and was twice voted Builder of the Year by that organization;
18 moreover, he was given the 2007 Ted Schlossman Lifetime Achievement
19 Award and named an honored life director by the Texas Association of
20 Builders, of which he was a member for over 50 years; this esteemed
21 Texan further distinguished himself through his involvement with
22 many civic organizations, and he was a valued congregant of
23 Southern Hills Church of Christ; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Brabbin enjoyed a long and rewarding marriage

1 with his wife, Jean George, before her passing in 2013; over the
2 years, they were blessed with a family that included their son, Bob
3 Brabbin, and his wife, Billie, as well as three grandchildren,
4 Beau, Baron, and Lea, and three great-grandchildren, Brailynn,
5 Christian, and Bailey; and

6 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, an engaged member of his
7 community, and a successful entrepreneur, Bill Brabbin leaves
8 behind a legacy that will continue to inspire all who had the good
9 fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Bill Brabbin and
12 extend sincere condolences to the members of his family and to his
13 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 Bill
17 Brabbin.

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Straus	Goldman	Oliverson
Allen	Gonzales of Williamson	Ortega
Alonzo	González of El Paso	Paddie
Alvarado	Gooden	Parker
Anchia	Guerra	Paul
Anderson of Dallas	Guillen	Perez
Anderson of McLennan	Gutierrez	Phelan
Arévalo	Hefner	Phillips
Ashby	Hernandez	Pickett
Bailes	Herrero	Price
Bell	Hinojosa	Raney
Bernal	Holland	Raymond
Biedermann	Howard	Reynolds
Blanco	Huberty	Rinaldi
Bohac	Hunter	Roberts
Bonnen of Brazoria	Isaac	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Israel	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Burrows	Kacal	Sanford
Button	Keough	Schaefer
Cain	King of Hemphill	Schofield
Canales	King of Parker	Schubert
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Clardy	Klick	Sheffield
Coleman	Koop	Shine
Collier	Krause	Simmons
Cook	Kuempel	Smithee
Cortez	Lambert	Springer
Cosper	Landgraf	Stephenson
Craddick	Lang	Stickland
Cyrier	Larson	Stucky
Dale	Laubenberg	Swanson
Darby	Leach	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Lucio III	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Martinez	Turner
Dukes	Metcalf	Uresti
Dutton	Meyer	VanDeaver
Elkins	Miller	Villalba
Faircloth	Minjarez	Vo
Fallon	Moody	Walle
Farrar	Morrison	White
Flynn	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Frank	Murphy	Workman
Frullo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Neave	Wu
Gervin-Hawkins	Nevárez	Zedler
Giddings	Oliveira	Zerwas

H.R. No. 542

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 542 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 22, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House