

By: King of Hemphill

H.R. No. 80

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories
2 of George W. Arrington of Canadian, who passed away on April 14,
3 2021, at the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of French and Ollie Arrington, George
5 Arrington was born in Fort Worth on January 26, 1933, and he grew up
6 with the companionship of a sister, Ann, and a twin brother,
7 William; after graduating from the New Mexico Military Institute in
8 Roswell, he earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the
9 University of Oklahoma; later, he attended law school at the
10 University of Tulsa and Oklahoma City University, and he received a
11 juris doctor degree in 1966; and

12 WHEREAS, While studying law, Mr. Arrington was employed at
13 Cities Service Oil Company, where he remained for 10 years before
14 relocating to Canadian and becoming an independent worker in the
15 oil and gas industry; additionally, he owned and operated the
16 Arrington family ranch in Hemphill County; and

17 WHEREAS, Highly engaged in civic life, Mr. Arrington was
18 active in the Republican Party; he was a member of the Canadian City
19 Council for four years, and he served as mayor of Canadian for six
20 years; moreover, he was appointed to the Governor's Committee on
21 Aging and to the Red River Authority of Texas board, which he
22 further served as president; he also led the Panhandle-Plains
23 Historical Society in Canyon as president; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Arrington shared a loving union with his wife,

1 Jane, that spanned six decades until her passing in 2014; he took
2 great pride in their children, Cathy, Julie, and Mike, and over the
3 years, he was further blessed with 8 grandchildren and 11
4 great-grandchildren; sustained by a deep faith, he was a longtime
5 member of the First Presbyterian Church of Canadian, and he served
6 as an elder, delegate to the general assembly, and commissioner of
7 the Palo Duro Presbytery; and

8 WHEREAS, A devoted family man and a dedicated public servant,
9 George Arrington lived a rich and purposeful life, and he leaves
10 behind a record of service that will forever remain a source of
11 inspiration; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
13 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
14 of George W. Arrington and extend heartfelt sympathy to all who
15 mourn his passing; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of George
19 Arrington.