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H.R. No. 28

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of "Dean" Teh-An Cheng of Houston on September 16, 2020, at  
3 the age of 93; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Hunan, China, on February 20, 1927, Dean  
5 Cheng was the son of Songnian Cheng and Lanqing Jiang, and he grew  
6 up with three siblings; after completing his education at National  
7 Central Technical School, he joined the military and worked as a  
8 technical assistant with the Shanghai National Defense Medical  
9 College; he climbed the ranks from warrant officer to captain  
10 before leaving the military in 1960; he was subsequently employed  
11 in several engineering positions throughout Taiwan and Vietnam, and  
12 in 1971, he moved to Guam to manage a hydropower engineering  
13 company; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Cheng ultimately settled in Houston with his  
15 family, and he became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1981; he worked  
16 with Ret-Ser Engineering Agency in Saudi Arabia, and he went on to  
17 help build the Gulf University and air force base in Bahrain; from  
18 1991 to 1998, he served as chief engineer at Hung Ching Development  
19 & Construction Co., Ltd., and he was in charge of the A.S.E. Center  
20 Construction Project in Taiwan; he remained at the company as a  
21 consultant for its Shanghai branch from 2004 until his retirement  
22 in 2008; and

23 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Cheng shared a rewarding  
24 marriage with his wife, Sophie, until her passing in 2004; he took

1 great pride in his three children, Alice, Andrew, and Danny, and his  
2 four grandchildren, Eric, Katherine, Zoe, and Parker; and

3 WHEREAS, While the death of Dean Cheng brings immeasurable  
4 sorrow to his family and friends, he leaves behind a legacy that  
5 will long be treasured by all those who held him dear; now,  
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of "Dean" Teh-An Cheng  
9 and extend sincere sympathy to his loved ones; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dean Cheng.