

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 77

In Memory
of
Robert Ellis

WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the passing of Robert Mirk Ellis of Friendswood on October 30, 2023, at the age of 80; and

WHEREAS, Robert Ellis was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on May 23, 1943; he earned a master's degree in business administration from the University of Dayton and began working in space life sciences in 1967, at a company then called Technology Inc.; later renamed Wyle Integrated Science and Engineering Group, the business worked with NASA to study the cardiovascular health of astronauts, and it grew to employ 1,300 people; he retired as group president after 45 years with the company; and

WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family, Mr. Ellis shared a rewarding relationship with his wife, Mary, that spanned nearly 47 years, and he took great pride in their four children, nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, A man of faith, Mr. Ellis was actively involved in his church, and he served as an administrator for many years; he was also a dedicated coach to his children's baseball teams, and in his leisure time, he enjoyed collecting cards and coins and tending to his garden, which included over 100 varieties of roses; and

WHEREAS, Although Robert Ellis is deeply missed, he will forever be remembered with great admiration for his professional achievements and for the myriad ways he gave of himself to benefit others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Robert Mirk Ellis and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Robert Ellis.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on November 5, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate