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S.R. No. 53

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 William David Dunlap of Longview on June 29, 2025, at the
3 age of 86; and

4 WHEREAS, David Dunlap was born to Phelan and Isabelle Dunlap
5 on March 1, 1939, in Longview and grew up sharing in the
6 companionship of two siblings, Janet and Robert; a 1957 graduate of
7 Longview High School, he went on to attend Kilgore College and Texas
8 Tech University; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1961, Mr. Dunlap married Polly Tyson, and the
10 couple embarked on a richly rewarding union that spanned nearly 64
11 years; a devoted father to their two daughters, Angela and Becky,
12 Mr. Dunlap led the band booster club, attended countless dances,
13 and often played basketball and Ping-Pong with his girls; with the
14 passing years, he had the privilege of welcoming a grandson, Cole,
15 into the family; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Dunlap enjoyed a successful career as a
17 purchasing agent that included tenures with Gibson's Discount
18 Center and R. Lacy Oil Company; an active member of the Longview
19 community, he volunteered with such worthy organizations as Asbury
20 House, Longview Community Ministries, and Habitat for Humanity, and
21 he was a dedicated congregant of First United Methodist Church,
22 where he served as a frequent volunteer and as pitcher for the
23 church softball team; later in life, Mr. Dunlap delighted in fixing
24 up his home on Lake Cherokee, and his hobbies included fly-fishing,

1 playing golf, and bird-watching; and

2 WHEREAS, David Dunlap embraced life to the fullest, and he
3 will forever remain a vibrant presence for those who knew and loved
4 him; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st
6 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of William David
7 Dunlap and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family:
8 to his wife, Polly Dunlap; to his daughters, Angela Martin and her
9 husband, Tony, and Becky Dennis and her husband, Gary; to his
10 grandson, Cole Dennis; and to his many other relatives and friends;
11 and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
14 day, it do so in memory of David Dunlap.