

By: Hughes

S.R. No. 72

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close on May 15,  
2 2025, with the passing of Tommie George Davis of Carthage at the age  
3 of 90; and

4 WHEREAS, Tommie George Davis was born to Tom Rucks and  
5 Moselle Tiller Davis on September 13, 1934, in Shreveport,  
6 Louisiana, and he grew up in the rural community of Latex; he  
7 graduated from Carthage High School in 1953 and went on to earn a  
8 law degree from Baylor University in 1959; he then worked for Humble  
9 Oil and as an assistant district attorney before partnering with  
10 attorney Tom Bankhead in Carthage; he later established his own  
11 practice, specializing in oil and gas litigation until his  
12 retirement; and

13 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Davis enjoyed the love and  
14 support of his wife, the former Mary Lu Watkins, with whom he shared  
15 a fulfilling union that spanned 66 years; he took great pride in  
16 their daughters, Mary Ella and Leigh, and with the passing years, he  
17 had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include three  
18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; in his leisure time,  
19 he liked going on bird hunting and fishing trips, listening to jazz,  
20 and meeting up with friends and family for weekly lunches; and

21 WHEREAS, Although Tommie George Davis is deeply missed, he  
22 has left his loved ones with a wealth of memories that they will  
23 forever treasure; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st

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1 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Tommie George  
2 Davis and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to  
3 his wife, Mary Lu Davis; to his daughters, Mary Ella Sherman and  
4 Leigh Davis; to his grandchildren, Robert Davis Sherman, Mary  
5 Elaine Finch, and Anna Kate Sherman; to his great-grandchildren,  
6 George Sherman, Isabelle Sherman, and Mary Belle Finch; to his  
7 cousins, Martha Anne, Lloyd, and Janis Tiller; to his special  
8 friend, Bubba Patterson; and to his other friends and relatives;  
9 and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this  
12 day, it do so in memory of Tommie George Davis.