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H.R. No. 67

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of San Antonio lost a beloved resident with
2 the death of James Bruce Bugg Jr. on August 6, 2025, at the age of
3 70; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Jim and Norma Bugg, Bruce Bugg was born in
5 Springfield, Missouri, on October 29, 1954, and he grew up with the
6 companionship of a sister, Diana; he received an undergraduate
7 degree in business and a juris doctor degree from Southern
8 Methodist University in Dallas; and

9 WHEREAS, After moving to San Antonio in 1979, Mr. Bugg worked
10 at the law firm of Groce, Locke & Hebdon; he later founded a bank
11 holding company and brought together investors to purchase The Bank
12 of San Antonio, and he launched a solo practice specializing in tax
13 law in 1986; widely respected in the banking industry, he
14 established Texas Partners Bank in 2007, and he served as chief
15 executive officer, chair, and president of Southwest Bancshares;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bugg was appointed by Governor Rick Perry to the
18 Texas Economic Development Corporation, which he served as chair
19 and president; in 2015, he accepted an appointment to the Texas
20 Transportation Commission from Governor Greg Abbott, and he served
21 as its chair; he was also a member of the board of directors of
22 Humanities Texas; and

23 WHEREAS, A leader in his community, Mr. Bugg championed
24 organizations such as the McNay Art Museum, Texas Biomedical

1 Research Institute, and San Antonio Youth Literacy, and he
2 cofounded the Bexar County Performing Arts Center Foundation as
3 well as the Tobin Center for Performing Arts; a man of deep faith,
4 he was a member of First Presbyterian Church San Antonio; and

5 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Bugg enjoyed the love and
6 support of his wife, Alethea, with whom he shared 34 years, and he
7 took great pride in his two sons, Jim and Tom; and

8 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community,
9 Bruce Bugg made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved
10 ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will forever
11 be remembered; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
13 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
14 James Bruce Bugg Jr. and extend sincere sympathy to his family and
15 friends; 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 Bruce Bugg.