

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 158

In Memory
of
Guy Harrison

WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the passing of Guy Newell Harrison of Longview on August 4, 2024, at the age of 77; and

WHEREAS, The son of Guy and Margaret Harrison, Guy Harrison was born in Longview on December 14, 1946, and he grew up with the companionship of a brother, Kim, and twin sister, Gay; after graduating from Southern Methodist University, he joined the U.S. Army and served in the First Cavalry Division in Vietnam; in 1974, he earned his juris doctor degree from the Dedman School of Law at SMU, where he became a member of Phi Delta Phi and the Order of Barristers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Harrison enjoyed a rewarding career as an attorney that spanned more than five decades; a distinguished leader in his profession, he served on the board of directors of the State Bar of Texas for six years; he was selected by his fellow board members to serve as chair for the 1999-2000 term, and he later won election as president for the 2002-2003 term; he was also a member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association for six years, and in 2002, he became an inaugural member of the Texas Access to Justice Commission, which he served for three years; in addition, he was a life fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, and he served on the foundation's board for six years; in 2009, he was appointed to the State Bar of Texas Commission for Lawyer Discipline, which he chaired for two years; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Mr. Harrison was a member of his local YMCA's board of directors, which he also chaired, and he served on the national board for YMCA-USA; his other memberships on

civic boards included those for The Crisman School for children with learning disabilities, which he chaired for two years, and the Good Shepherd Medical Foundation; moreover, he was a member of the Longview First United Methodist Church board of trustees, and he was a proud member and teacher of the church's Henry Foster Sunday school class; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Harrison benefited from the love and support of his wife of 55 years, Lucinda; he was a devoted father to his son, Parker, and his children, Worth and Beau, who preceded their father in death; over the years, his treasured family grew to include two grandchildren, Rainy and Tate, and three great-grandchildren, Ivy, Willow, and McKinley Mae; and

WHEREAS, Although Guy Harrison is deeply missed, memories of his integrity and his devotion to his family remain to comfort and inspire those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Guy Newell Harrison and extend heartfelt sympathy to his loved ones; 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 Guy Harrison.

Hughes

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 26, 2025, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate