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S.R. No. 696

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The life of a respected religious leader drew to a
2 close with the passing of Pastor C. D. Tedford of Brownsboro on
3 December 10, 2023, at the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of John Ennis Tedford and Sara Louise Ray
5 Tedford, Carlos Dwain Tedford was born in Opelika on July 13, 1935;
6 he grew up with the companionship of four brothers, W. J., Wendell,
7 Gena, and Albert; and

8 WHEREAS, Brother Tedford served as a pastor in the Assemblies
9 of God denomination for more than 25 years, leading congregations
10 at several locations, including Zion Hill, Mankin, Lavon, and
11 Chandler; he was also employed at Loggins Meat Company in Tyler for
12 five years; and

13 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Pastor Tedford benefited from
14 the love and support of his wife, Billie June, with whom he shared a
15 fulfilling union that spanned seven decades; he took great pride in
16 his two sons, Larry and David, and with the passing years, his
17 treasured family grew to include 5 grandchildren and 10
18 great-grandchildren; in his spare time, he enjoyed reading and
19 riding his four-wheeler; and

20 WHEREAS, Renowned for his honesty and his deep concern for
21 others, C. D. Tedford lived a rich and purposeful life centered
22 around his faith and his family, and he will long be remembered with
23 deep affection by all those who had the good fortune to know him;
24 now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature
2 hereby pay tribute to the memory of Pastor C. D. Tedford and extend
3 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Billie
4 June Tedford; to his sons, Larry Tedford and his wife, Olivia, and
5 David Tedford; to his brother, Albert Don Tedford, and his wife,
6 Becky; to his grandchildren, Katie Williams, Drew Tedford, Lauren
7 Rinehart, Karli Hetherington, and Madison Bragdon; to his
8 great-grandchildren, Cameron and Cole Williams, Alvin, Oliver, and
9 Henry Hetherington, Jack and Mary Tedford, and Elizabeth, Eli, and
10 Beau Rinehart; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
11 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 C. D. Tedford.