HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of J. B.
- 2 Lowry of Paris, Texas, who passed away on December 26, 2008, at the
- 3 age of 81; and
- WHEREAS, Born to Clovis and Inis Campbell Lowry on October
- 5 15, 1927, J. B. Lowry grew up in Mount Vernon, where he lived until
- 6 he answered his nation's call to duty and enlisted in the U.S. Navy;
- 7 while stationed in California, he met and married the former Cletta
- 8 Bates, with whom he raised four children and shared 61 fulfilling
- 9 years of matrimony; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Lowry returned to Mount Vernon after his naval
- 11 service and worked a series of odd jobs before beginning work as a
- 12 salesman for a local Chevrolet dealership in 1949; some two decades
- 13 later, he moved his family to Paris and opened Lowry Chevrolet,
- 14 which he owned and operated for 38 years; and
- WHEREAS, In addition to being a successful businessman, Mr.
- 16 Lowry was a member of Central Presbyterian Church and a winner of
- 17 numerous accolades for his community involvement; he was named the
- 18 1995 Citizen of the Year by the Paris Police Department, received
- 19 the Paul Harris Fellowship and the 2006-2007 Lion of the Year Awards
- 20 for his service to the Paris Noon Lions Club, and he earned a
- 21 Lifetime Membership award from the Lamar County Crime Stoppers in
- 22 2002 for his active participation; he was also a past Master of
- 23 Mount Vernon Masonic Lodge No. 691 and current Worthy Patron of
- 24 Paris Chapter No. 5 Order of the Eastern Star; moreover, this

- 1 esteemed Texan was selected for the Boys and Girls Club of Red River
- 2 Valley Wall of Honor in 2005; and
- WHEREAS, J. B. Lowry touched the lives of countless people
- 4 during his years on this earth, and memories of him will forever
- 5 hold a treasured place in the hearts of his loved ones; now,
- 6 therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
- 8 hereby pay tribute to the life of J. B. Lowry and extend sincere
- 9 sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Cletta Lowry; to
- 10 his children, Tina Anderson and her husband, Mike, Tim Lowry and his
- 11 wife, De, Gina Lowry and her husband, Chris Morphis, and Mark Lowry;
- 12 to his grandchildren, Christi George and her husband, Aaron,
- 13 Elizabeth Carter and her husband, Jay, Stephanie Kirk and her
- 14 husband, Kendal, Catherine Peralta and her husband, Jose, John
- 15 Lowry and his wife, Adrianne, Jason Burress, Amanda Wilhite, and
- 16 Letta Hines; to his 11 great-grandchildren; and to his other
- 17 relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 20 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
- 21 J. B. Lowry.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

H. **£**.R. No. 212

I certify that H.C.R. No. $2\sqrt{12}$ was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 11, 2009

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 212 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on May 18, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

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Date

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