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PROCEEDINGS

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY (CONTINUED) — THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2009

The house met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the speaker pro tempore.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 61).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anderson; Aycock; Berman; Bohac; Bolton; Bonnen; Branch; Brown, B.; Brown, F.; Burnam; Button; Callegari; Castro; Chavez; Chisum; Christian; Coleman; Cook; Corte; Crabb; Craddick; Creighton; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dunnam; Dutton; Edwards; Eiland; Eissler; Elkins; England; Farabee; Farias; Farrar; Fletcher; Flores; Flynn; Frost; Gallego; Gattis; Geren; Giddings; Gonzales; Gonzalez Toureilles; Guillen; Gutierrez; Hamilton; Hancock; Hardcastle; Harless; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Heflin; Hernandez; Herrero; Hilderbran; Hochberg; Hodge; Homer; Hopson; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Hughes; Hunter; Isett; Jackson; Jones; Keffer; Kent; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Kleinschmidt; Kolkhorst; Kuempel; Laubenberg; Legler; Leibowitz; Lewis; Lucio; Madden; Maldonado; Mallory Caraway; Marquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McCall; McClendon; McReynolds; Menendez; Merritt; Miklos; Miller, D.; Miller, S.; Moody; Morrison; Naishtat; Oliveira; Olivo; Orr; Ortiz; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Paxton; Peña; Phillips; Pickett; Pierson; Pitts; Quintanilla; Raymond; Riddle; Rios Ybarra; Ritter; Rodriguez; Rose; Sheffield; Shelton; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solomons; Strama; Swinford; Taylor; Thibaut; Thompson; Truitt; Turner, C.; Turner, S.; Vaught; Veasey; Villarreal; Vo; Walle; Weber; Woolley; Zerwas.

Absent, Excused — Anchia; Cohen.

The invocation was offered by Dr. Michael S. Lewis, senior pastor, Great Hills Baptist Church, Austin, as follows:

Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before you as we open this Texas legislative session on this 26th day of March in the year of our Lord 2009.

We lovingly acknowledge you as the all-wise and all-powerful God. You are the sovereign king of the universe, and you are the one who has established all principalities, powers, rulers, and government bodies under your authority. You are the father of light from whom every good and perfect gift comes from above. You are our creator and maker who spoke and the universe came into existence. You are our redeemer who gave your son, Jesus Christ, as the savior of the world and who reigns as the King of kings and Lord of lords over this world.

We ask you to give wisdom and direction to our new leadership in Washington and to our governor, Rick Perry. We call humbly upon you to guide us in all of the decisions and discussions of this session today. We recognize that we are finite beings with limited understanding; therefore, we ask for your infinite wisdom. We confess we are sinners who are like straying sheep; therefore, we need you, the shepherd of our souls, to guide us in all our ways. May righteousness and compassion fill our hearts with light from above. May the laws and decisions that are established in this session bring glory and honor to your name. May we be pleasing to you by promoting peace and spiritual prosperity for the residents of this great State of Texas. We acknowledge that all that we are and all that we have comes from you. O God, bless Texas. O God, bless America. Be with our men and women who are serving our country in our military forces in Iraq, Afghanistan, and foreign lands this day.

Lord, with respect to all those of diverse religious faiths, we humbly submit this prayer to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The chair recognized Representative C. Howard who led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The speaker pro tempore recognized Representative Corte who presented Dr. Mitchell Finnie of San Antonio as the "Doctor for the Day."

The house welcomed Dr. Finnie and thanked him for his participation in the Physician of the Day Program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the senate was received at this time (see the addendum to the daily journal, Messages from the Senate, Message No. 1).

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of family business:

Cohen on motion of Creighton.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of important business in the district:

Anchia on motion of Strama.

HR 907 - ADOPTED (by Hardcastle)

Representative Hardcastle moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 907**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 907, Recognizing March 26, 2009, as Wilbarger County and City of Vernon Day at the State Capitol.

HR 907 was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Hardcastle who introduced a delegation from Wilbarger County.

HR 909 - ADOPTED

(by Hardcastle)

Representative Hardcastle moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 909**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 909, Congratulating the Santa Rosa Palomino Club on its 60th anniversary.

HR 909 was adopted.

HR 1041 - ADOPTED

(by Rios Ybarra)

Representative Rios Ybarra moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1041**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1041, In memory of the Honorable Simon Salinas, former county judge of Willacy County.

HR 1041 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

HR 928 - ADOPTED

(by Burnam)

Representative Burnam moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 928**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 928, Expressing support for Earth Hour on March 28, 2009.

HR 928 was adopted. (Callegari, Harper-Brown, P. King, Laubenberg, Orr, Phillips, Shelton, and Taylor recorded voting no.) (The vote was reconsidered later today, and **HR 928** was withdrawn.)

HR 960 - ADOPTED
(by Naishtat)

Representative Naishtat moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 960**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 960, Recognizing March 26, 2009, as National Braille Readers Are Leaders Day.

HR 960 was adopted.

(McClendon in the chair)

CONGRATULATORY AND MEMORIAL CALENDAR

The following congratulatory resolutions were laid before the house:

HR 785 (by Merritt), Honoring Latane Thrash Speer for being named 2008 Kilgore College Ex-Student of the Year.

HR 786 (by Merritt), Congratulating Lloyd Bolding on his selection as the 2008 Citizen of the Year by the Kilgore Chamber of Commerce.

HR 787 (by Hardcastle), Honoring Leland Snow of Olney for his pioneering career in agricultural aviation.

HR 789 (by Alonzo), Congratulating LULAC Council No. 272 in Dallas on the 75th anniversary of its founding.

HR 790 (by Alonzo), Honoring the 2009 president and all former presidents of the Mexican American Democrats of Texas.

HR 791 (by Alonzo), Honoring the 2010 president and all former presidents of the Mexican American Democrats of Texas.

HR 793 (by Kent), Honoring Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership of North Texas.

HR 800 (by Hughes), Honoring James and Hazel Huffman of Quitman on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HR 801 (by Hughes), Honoring Warren and Juanita Attaway of Yantis on their 60th wedding anniversary.

HR 803 (by Taylor), Honoring Leadership Friendswood.

HR 804 (by Taylor), Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the construction of the Butler Building in League City.

HR 807 (by Button), Congratulating former police chief Larry Zacharias on being named the 2008 Citizen of the Year by the Richardson Chamber of Commerce.

HR 810 (by Eissler), Honoring U.S. Navy Lieutenant Neil Bryan Fletcher for his outstanding service to this nation.

HR 813 (by Walle), Congratulating winners of the 50th annual Aldine ISD FFA Livestock Show and County Fair.

HR 816 (by Craddick), Congratulating William and Patricia Southerland of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HR 817 (by Craddick), Congratulating Felipe and Zoila Hernandez of Stanton on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HR 821 (by Flynn), Commemorating the approval of a new historical marker for the city of Van by the Texas Historical Commission.

HR 822 (by Flynn), Commemorating the approval of a new historical marker for the Pure Oil Company Camp in Van by the Texas Historical Commission.

HR 823 (by Flynn), Congratulating Johnny and Martha Moore of Commerce on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HR 824 (by Flynn), Honoring Dr. James Neatherlin and June Neatherlin of Greenville on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HR 825 (by Rios Ybarra), Congratulating the San Perlita High School basketball team on winning the 2009 32-1A Division 2 district title.

HR 826 (by Legler and J. Davis), Congratulating the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce on its 25th anniversary.

HR 827 (by Legler), Congratulating Charles Maricle and Kim Kankel on earning the titles of King and Queen of the Pasadena Philharmonic Mardi Gras Ball.

HR 829 (by Legler), Recognizing the monthly Benefit Pow Wow of United American Indian Tribes Houston.

HR 830 (by Legler), Honoring Officer Dru Greer of the Pasadena Police Department for his rescue of several people from a burning building.

HR 832 (by Gonzales), Congratulating Arturo Guerra and Che Guerra on the opening of the Patio restaurant in McAllen.

HR 833 (by Gonzales), Commemorating the 50th anniversary of Andrew Jackson Elementary School in McAllen.

HR 834 was withdrawn.

HR 836 (by Hopson), Congratulating the Jacksonville Middle School Maidens basketball team on winning the District 14-4A basketball championship.

HR 843 (by Harper-Brown), Congratulating Hailey Hodgkiss of Irving on being named a Distinguished Finalist by the 2009 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program.

HR 845 (by Pickett), Honoring Jay Ramsey Brown on his retirement from the U.S. Navy.

HR 852 (by Peña and Gonzales), Congratulating Jim McKone on his induction into The University of Texas-Pan American Athletics Hall of Honor.

HR 853 (by Peña), Honoring David Lopez of Edinburg on his 50-year career as a barber and congratulating David and Emma Avila Lopez on their golden wedding anniversary.

HR 854 (by Peña), Honoring Texas actor Valente Rodriguez for his contributions to the community.

HR 855 (by Peña), Recognizing the week of April 26 through May 2, 2009, as National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

HR 856 (by Fletcher), Honoring Peter Tan of Houston on his 56th birthday.

HR 858 (by Kuempel), Commemorating the 100th anniversary of Cross United Church of Christ in Seguin.

HR 859 (by Button), Congratulating the Reverend Casey Miner on his receipt of the Governor's Criminal Justice Volunteer Service Award.

HR 860 (by Merritt), Congratulating Dr. Peter Rodriguez for receiving the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Kilgore College Ex-Students Association.

HR 861 (by Merritt), Honoring Merritt Johnson for being named 2008 Kilgore Ex-Teacher of the Year.

HR 862 (by Merritt), Congratulating Elaine Woodmansee for receiving the 2008 Kilgore College Honored Retiree Award.

HR 864 (by Morrison), Honoring Jerheme Urban of Victoria for his success with the NFC champion Arizona Cardinals.

HR 865 (by Morrison), Honoring Jim Wyatt for his years of service to the Victoria City Council.

HR 869 (by Veasey), Honoring the Reverend Julius L. Jackson, Jr., of the Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Fort Worth on his 50th birthday.

HR 871 (by Veasey), Honoring Bessie Reed of Fort Worth, who was born on December 19, 1900.

HR 872 (by Veasey), Honoring Mike Nolen on his retirement as chief of The Colony Fire Department.

HR 878 (by Pitts), Commending the Texas hubs of Honor Flight Network for their outstanding service to this nation's military veterans.

HR 879 (by Christian), Congratulating the Healthy Nacogdoches Coalition on winning gold level recognition from the Texas Council on Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke.

HR 880 (by D. Miller), Honoring General Michael W. Hagee, USMC (Ret.), on his appointment as executive director of the Admiral Nimitz Foundation.

HR 889 (by Fletcher), Congratulating Priscilla Ruth "Perky" Savage of Cypress on her 79th birthday.

HR 890 (by Peña), Congratulating Lupe Garcia on his induction into The University of Texas-Pan American Athletics Hall of Honor.

HR 891 (by Peña), Honoring Ciro Trevino of Edinburg for being named the 2008 School Board Trustee of the Year by the Texas Classroom Teachers Association.

HR 893 (by Marquez), Congratulating Katie Stone of El Paso on winning the 2009 El Paso Times Spelling Bee.

HR 894 (by Craddick), Congratulating Midland Memorial Hospital on winning two awards from the American Heart Association's Get with the Guidelines program.

HR 895 (by Craddick), Congratulating Vernon and Clara Harkins of Midland on their 55th wedding anniversary.

HR 896 (by Craddick), Honoring Monsignors Larry Droll, James Bridges, and James Plagens of Midland for receiving papal honors.

HR 898 (by Kuempel), Congratulating Luke R. Tiemann on his graduation from The University of Texas at Austin.

HR 900 was withdrawn.

HR 903 (by Martinez), Congratulating members of the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School mariachi band on their accomplishments in University Interscholastic League competition.

HR 908 (by Hardcastle), Commemorating the 126th Doans May Day Picnic on May 2, 2009.

HR 911 (by Hardcastle), Congratulating Jay Brewer of Graham on earning the Daisy "Take Aim at Safety" Most Valuable Player award.

HR 912 (by Leibowitz), Congratulating William Patrick McDonough of Helotes on becoming an Eagle Scout.

HR 913 (by Vo), Honoring Shaolin Kung Fu Academy in Houston on the occasion of its charity performance to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

HR 914 (by Naishtat), Honoring the McCallum High School Fine Arts Academy orchestra and choir on being selected to perform at Carnegie Hall in June 2009.

HR 915 (by Mallory Caraway, et al.), Honoring Camp Wisdom United Methodist Church of Dallas on the occasion of its 26th anniversary.

HR 922 (by Harper-Brown), Commending the City of Irving for its implementation of the Lean Six Sigma program.

HR 923 (by Harper-Brown), Commending the City of Irving for its Irving Wellness Incentive Now program.

HR 924 (by Legler), Honoring the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, and particularly the auxiliary unit at Air Station Houston.

HR 925 was withdrawn.

HR 935 (by P. King), Honoring former Fort Worth mayor Bob Bolen on his many accomplishments and on his dedicated public service.

HR 936 (by Coleman), Congratulating Becky Moeller on her election as president of the Southern Region of the AFL-CIO.

HR 937 was withdrawn.

HR 939 (by Craddick), Congratulating Doyal and Doris Humphries on their 50th wedding anniversary.

HR 942 (by Legler), Honoring Travis Allan Bryan for his service to his community and state.

HR 944 (by J. Davis), Congratulating Stephen Ivey Damiani and Chen Sara Xie on the birth of their son, Stephen Shay Li Damiani.

HR 946 (by Flynn), Congratulating Henry and Sammie Dishongh of Point on their 70th wedding anniversary.

HR 948 (by S. King), Congratulating the Taylor Electric Cooperative on its 70th anniversary.

HR 950 (by Lewis), Congratulating Daniel J. Hollmann on his 2009 induction into the Odessa Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame.

HR 951 (by Lewis), Congratulating Peter C. Francis on his receipt of the 2009 Community Service Award from the Andrews Chamber of Commerce.

HR 952 (by Lewis), Congratulating William Perry Anderson on his induction into the Odessa Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame.

HR 953 (by Lewis), Congratulating John R. Parish on his receipt of the 2009 Pioneer Award from the Andrews Chamber of Commerce.

HR 954 (by Lewis), Congratulating John W. Cooper on his induction into the Odessa Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame.

HR 955 (by Hughes), Congratulating Ellis and Pat Stewart of Big Sandy on their 55th wedding anniversary.

HR 958 (by Hughes), Honoring Dr. Sebetha Jenkins on her retirement from Jarvis Christian College.

HR 960 was previously adopted.

HR 961 (by Maldonado), Recognizing the Texas State Employees Golf Association.

HR 962 (by Gallego), Honoring George Joseph Harrington for his service to the Del Rio Fire Department.

HCR 89 (by Thompson), Commemorating the 60th anniversary of the creation of the Texas Legislative Council.

HCR 92 (by Crownover), Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Denton Chamber of Commerce.

HCR 118 (by Rios Ybarra), Honoring the legacy of Caesar Kleberg.

HCR 121 was withdrawn.

HCR 122 (by Naishtat), Designating April 27, 2009, as Social Work Day at the State Capitol.

SCR 37 (Heflin - House Sponsor), Welcoming members of the Texas Organization of Rural and Community Hospitals and the Texas Rural Health Association to the Capitol.

SCR 50 (Gonzales - House Sponsor), Recognizing Arturo E. Guerra, Jr., for his contributions to the justice system in Texas.

The resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Representative Gallego, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 862** and **HR 962** as signers thereof.

The following memorial resolutions were laid before the house:

HR 141 (by P. King), In memory of Lawrence F. "Larry" Blais of Weatherford.

HR 285 was withdrawn.

HR 562 (by Kolkhorst), In memory of Harold Roger Luhn of Bellville.

HR 680 was withdrawn.

HR 690 was withdrawn.

HR 712 (by Laubenberg), In memory of Ester Kay Phillips of Garland.

HR 788 (by Alonzo), In memory of Alejos "Alex" DeLeon of Dallas.

HR 794 was previously adopted.

HR 795 (by D. Miller), In memory of Gheral Thomas Purdum of New Braunfels.

HR 796 was withdrawn.

HR 802 (by Gallego and Darby), In memory of James Frank Pollard of San Angelo.

HR 806 (by D. Miller), In memory of Doyle Elmer Krueger of New Braunfels.

HR 811 (by Hunter), In memory of Nancy Jane Stevens of Corpus Christi.

HR 814 (by Maldonado), In memory of Mary Jo Bartlett of Taylor.

HR 818 (by Craddick), In memory of John Alan Hord and Ruth Waldrop Hord of Midland.

HR 828 (by Legler), In memory of Walter Woodard of Pasadena.

HR 831 (by Farabee), In memory of John Curry of Wichita Falls.

HR 835 (by Hopson), In memory of Charles Knox Alford of Houston.

HR 841 was withdrawn.

HR 847 (by Maldonado), In memory of George Turner, president of the State Employees Golf Association.

HR 850 (by Peña), In memory of Hermelinda Economedes of Edinburg.

HR 857 (by Branch), In memory of Richard M. Hull of Dallas.

HR 863 (by Merritt), In memory of Worth McKinley Harrison of Longview.

HR 870 (by Veasey), In memory of Donna Jean Evans of Fort Worth.

HR 873 (by Veasey), In memory of Dr. James Elvis Guinn III of Fort Worth.

HR 881 (by Edwards), In memory of Quentin R. Mease of Houston.

HR 882 (by Gattis), In memory of the Honorable William S. Lott of Georgetown.

HR 887 (by Sheffield), In memory of Jamie Hager Clements of Temple.

HR 899 (by Darby), Honoring the life of Eva Camunez Tucker of San Angelo.

HR 916 (by Gattis), In memory of Stephanie Waters of Cedar Park.

HR 919 (by Gattis), In memory of Jane Ellen Tableriou of Georgetown.

HR 930 (by Quintanilla), In memory of Josefina Duran Aguilar.

HR 931 (by Quintanilla), In memory of Elizabeth J. "Bettye" Reinhardt of Fabens.

HR 932 (by Quintanilla), In memory of Rafaela Telles of Clint.

HR 940 (by Legler), In memory of Donald Ray Carpenter, Sr., of Pasadena.

HR 941 (by Legler), In memory of William C. Barmore of Pasadena.

HR 956 (by Hughes), In memory of Karen Wheeler Pendergast of Winnsboro.

HR 957 (by Hughes), In memory of D. H. Abernathy, former mayor of Pittsburg, Texas.

HCR 99 (by Homer), In memory of John H. Hanna of Paris, Texas.

HCR 100 (by Homer), In memory of the Reverend James M. Elsom of Paris, Texas.

HCR 101 (by Homer), In memory of Jeniavee "Jenny" Hatcher of Paris, Texas.

HCR 102 (by Homer), In memory of Juanita Daughtrey of Powderly.

HCR 103 (by Homer), In memory of Carl Walter Smith of Paris, Texas.

HCR 104 (by Homer), In memory of Billy Joe Patterson of Brookston.

HCR 105 (by Homer), In memory of Monroe Travis Hardin of Paris, Texas.

HCR 106 (by Homer), In memory of Danise Blalock of Mount Pleasant.

HCR 107 (by Homer), In memory of Roslyn Davis Sample of Powderly.

HCR 108 (by Homer), In memory of Bishop Othoe Stegall of Lubbock.

HCR 109 (by Homer), In memory of Joe Bob Stone of Paris, Texas.

HCR 110 (by Homer), In memory of Mary Jo Floyd Hughes of Belk.

HCR 111 (by Homer), In memory of Wayne Wilson Streety, Sr., of Paris, Texas.

HCR 112 (by Homer), In memory of Cory Lee Ellis of Mount Pleasant.

HCR 117 (by F. Brown), In memory of Professor Robert Osborne Reid of College Station.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

**HR 1081 - ADOPTED
(by Smithee)**

Representative Smithee moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1081**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1081, Recognizing March 26, 2009, as Cal Farley's Day at the State Capitol and commemorating the 70th anniversary of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and the 60th anniversary of Cal Farley's Girlstown, U.S.A.

HR 1081 was adopted.

On motion of Representatives McReynolds and Chisum, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 1081** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Swinford who introduced participants in Cal Farley's Day.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Vaught who introduced the 615th Aviation Support Battalion from the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood.

(Speaker pro tempore in the chair)

**LOCAL, CONSENT, AND RESOLUTIONS CALENDAR
SECOND READING**

The following bills were laid before the house, read second time, and passed to third reading, and the following resolutions were laid before the house on committee report and adopted (members registering votes are shown following the caption):

HB 400 (by Herrero), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the dismissal of a charge of unlawfully parking a vehicle in a space designated specifically for persons with disabilities.

CSHB 448 (by Hopson), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to requiring the Department of State Health Services to implement a provider choice system.

CSHB 605 (by Farabee), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to mileage reimbursement for state employees.

HB 621 (by Elkins), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to public improvement districts designated by a county or municipality.

HB 762 (by Creighton), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to filing a wage claim.

HB 867 (by Aycock), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the transfer of certain state property from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to the City of Burnet.

HB 1510 (by Bonnen, et al.), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to including information on Sudden Infant Death Syndrome in a resource pamphlet for parents of newborn children.

CSHB 1761 (by Thompson), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the reserve requirements for credit life and credit accident and health insurance.

HR 928 - VOTE RECONSIDERED

Representative Burnam moved to reconsider the vote by which **HR 928** was adopted.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

HR 928 - WITHDRAWN (by Burnam)

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 928, Expressing support for Earth Hour on March 28, 2009.

HR 928 was laid before the house and was adopted earlier today.

HR 928 was withdrawn.

HR 1083 - ADOPTED (by Burnam)

Representative Burnam moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1083**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1083, Expressing support for Earth Hour on March 28, 2009.

HR 1083 was adopted. (Callegari, Harper-Brown, P. King, Laubenberg, Orr, Phillips, Shelton, and Taylor recorded voting no.)

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved that the house adjourn until 12 p.m. today.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 11:50 a.m., adjourned until 12 p.m. today.

ADDENDUM

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages from the senate were today received by the house:

Message No. 1

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Thursday, March 26, 2009

The Honorable Speaker of the House

House Chamber

Austin, Texas

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the senate to inform the house that the senate has taken the following action:

THE SENATE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

HCR 83 Homer SPONSOR: Deuell
In memory of Horace Arnold Durham of Pecan Gap.

HCR 84 Homer SPONSOR: Deuell
Congratulating the Sulphur Springs Wildcats football team on winning the 2008 UIL 4A Division 2 state championship.

HCR 133 Berman SPONSOR: Eltife
Honoring Calvin Nelson Clyde, Jr., of Tyler on his 88th birthday.

SB 175 Shapiro
Relating to the admission of undergraduate students to general academic teaching institutions, including limitations on automatic admission, and to scholarships for certain students.

SB 300 Patrick, Dan
Relating to eliminating or modifying certain mandates on school districts.

SB 381 Van de Putte
Relating to the authority of physicians to delegate to certain pharmacists the implementation and modification of a patient's drug therapy.

SB 424 Van de Putte
Relating to the establishment and implementation of school-based influenza vaccination programs.

SB 470 Carona
Relating to training and continuing education for licensed electrical apprentices.

SB 476 Nelson
Relating to staffing, overtime, and other employment protections for nurses.

SB 506

Carona

Relating to the operation and movement of motorcycles during periods of traffic congestion.

SB 531

Patrick, Dan

Relating to the billing coordination system for claims submitted for payment from the Medicaid program.

SB 572

Shapiro

Relating to transportation safety training requirements for certain child-care providers.

SB 730

Hegar

Relating to an employee's transportation and storage of certain firearms or ammunition while on certain property owned or controlled by the employee's employer.

SB 731

Jackson, Mike

Relating to the sale of certain alcoholic beverages to private club registration permit holders.

SB 769

Williams

Relating to methods for the recovery of system restoration costs incurred by electric utilities following hurricanes, tropical storms, ice or snow storms, floods, and other weather-related events and natural disasters.

SB 820

Duncan

Relating to the adoption and amendment of model building codes by certain municipalities.

Respectfully,

Patsy Spaw

Secretary of the Senate