

2015 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 828

Celebrating the life of Jim Bullington.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2015
Agreed to by the Senate, February 25, 2015

WHEREAS, Jim Bullington, longtime, third-generation owner of the Texas Tavern in Roanoke and a compassionate champion for the well-being of his family, employees, and the community, died on January 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a native of Roanoke, Jim Bullington worked as a door-to-door vacuum salesman and a real estate professional; he served his country as a member of the United States Air Force, stationed in San Antonio, Texas, and Japan; and

WHEREAS, in the 1960s, Jim Bullington began working for his father on the night shift at Texas Tavern on Church Avenue; the long-standing Roanoke eatery is known for its chili and has been an essential part of the community since 1930; and

WHEREAS, as owner of the Texas Tavern for many years, Jim Bullington earned a reputation as an effective, fair manager who helped his business grow and supported his employees; after retiring and passing ownership of the restaurant to his son in 2005, he learned photography by volunteering for local photographers; and

WHEREAS, known for his quick wit and good-natured sense of humor, Jim Bullington was also respected as a reliable, empathetic friend and a true gentleman who always saw the best in others and helped inspire them to see the same; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bullington will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Velma; children, Kathryn, Laura, Lisa, and Matt, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Jim Bullington, an admired businessman in Roanoke; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Jim Bullington as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for his memory.

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