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PROCEEDINGS

FIFTEENTH DAY — MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2011

The house met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 41).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Aliseda; Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anchia; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Aycok; Beck; Berman; Bohac; Bonnen; Branch; Brown; Burkett; Burnam; Cain; Callegari; Carter; Castro; Chisum; Christian; Coleman; Cook; Craddick; Creighton; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dutton; Eiland; Eissler; Elkins; Farias; Farrar; Fletcher; Flynn; Frullo; Gallego; Garza; Geren; Gonzales, L.; Gonzales, V.; Gonzalez; Gooden; Guillen; Gutierrez; Hamilton; Hancock; Hardcastle; Harless; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Hernandez Luna; Hochberg; Hopson; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Huberty; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Jackson; Johnson; Keffer; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Kleinschmidt; Kolkhorst; Kuempel; Landtroop; Larson; Laubenberg; Lavender; Legler; Lewis; Lozano; Lucio; Lyne; Madden; Mallory Caraway; Margo; Marquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McClendon; Menendez; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, S.; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Naishtat; Nash; Orr; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Paxton; Peña; Perry; Phillips; Pickett; Pitts; Price; Quintanilla; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Rodriguez; Schwertner; Scott; Sheets; Sheffield; Shelton; Simpson; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Strama; Taylor, L.; Taylor, V.; Thompson; Torres; Truitt; Turner; Veasey; Villarreal; Walle; Weber; White; Woolley; Workman; Zedler; Zerwas.

Absent, Excused — Giddings; Hilderbran; Oliveira; Ritter; Solomons; Vo.

Absent — Button.

The invocation was offered by Luis Torres, pastor, Church of Christ, Corpus Christi, as follows:

Heavenly Father, we come before your throne of mercy and grace to thank you for the many blessings we receive from you. We thank you, Father, for your word and we thank you for your son, Jesus Christ, who died for our sins and gave us the hope of heaven. We thank you, Father, for this great nation that we live in and for the freedoms that we enjoy.

Father, we ask your blessing upon each and every member of this legislative body. They have the awesome responsibility of providing for the well being of the people of the State of Texas. As they discuss and debate the matters that

come before them, may they do so in such a way that the decisions agreed upon will be according to your will and in the best interest of all the citizens of this state.

Father, help us to be aware of our weaknesses and shortcomings, that we may not sin against you but rather do that which is pleasing unto you. All this we ask of you, Father, in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The speaker recognized Representative Carter who led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of important business in the district:

Hilderbran on motion of Brown.

Oliveira on motion of Deshotel.

Solomons on motion of Brown.

Vo on motion of Deshotel.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of a death in the family:

Giddings on motion of Deshotel.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today to attend a funeral:

Ritter on motion of Harless.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The speaker recognized Representative Strama who presented Dr. Larry Kravitz of Austin as the "Doctor for the Day."

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

(Harper-Brown in the chair)

HR 283 - ADOPTED

(by Muñoz, V. Gonzales, Peña, Guillen, and Martinez)

Representative Muñoz moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 283**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 283, Welcoming members of Leadership Mission to the State Capitol and honoring them for their community service.

HR 283 was read and was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Muñoz who introduced members of Leadership Mission.

(Speaker in the chair)

**HR 213 - ADOPTED
(by Paxton and Zedler)**

Representative Zedler moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 213**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 213, Honoring President Ronald Reagan on the 100th anniversary of his birth.

HR 213 was read and was adopted.

On motion of Representative Berman, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 213** as signers thereof.

**HR 310 - ADOPTED
(by S. Davis)**

Representative S. Davis moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 310**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 310, Recognizing artist Hanh Tran on the launch of her BIG TEXAS collection.

HR 310 was read and was adopted.

(L. Taylor in the chair)

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

The chair recognized Representative S. Davis who introduced Hanh Tran.

**HR 229 - ADOPTED
(by C. Anderson)**

Representative C. Anderson moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 229**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 229, In memory of Margaret Johnson.

HR 229 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Legler, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 229** as signers thereof.

HR 149 - ADOPTED
(by Rodriguez)

Representative Rodriguez moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 149**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 149, In memory of Joe Avila of Austin.

(Speaker in the chair)

HR 149 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Rodriguez, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 149** as signers thereof.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for the remainder of today and the remainder of the week because of illness in the family:

Allen on motion of Farrar.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today to attend a funeral:

Button on motion of Shelton.

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

Kolkhorst on motion of Hamilton.

HR 32 - ADOPTED
(by Alonzo)

Representative Alonzo moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 32**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 32, Commemorating the 25th anniversary of Mount St. Michael Catholic School in Dallas.

HR 32 was adopted.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

Notice was given at this time that the speaker had signed bills and resolutions in the presence of the house (see the addendum to the daily journal, Signed by the Speaker, House List No. 4).

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Legler moved that the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow in memory of Gladys Joan Victor Salvino of Dallas.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 1:42 p.m., adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

ADDENDUM

SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The following bills and resolutions were today signed in the presence of the house by the speaker:

House List No. 4

HCR 36

APPENDIX

ENROLLED

February 3 - HCR 35, HCR 36, HCR 43, HCR 44

