

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 15

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution praising the life and career of J.
9 Walter Duncan Jr.; mourning his loss, and directing
10 distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, J. Walter Duncan Jr. was born on November 26, 1916, in
13 La Salle, Illinois, the son of Walter and Velma Duncan. His family
14 founded the La Salle State Bank, Marquette Cement, and the Duncan
15 Insurance Office. Like other family members, Walter attended Saint
16 Bede's Academy in La Salle and Notre Dame University. In
17 partnership with his father, J. Walter Duncan Jr. became involved in
18 the oil business; and

19 WHEREAS, J. Walter Duncan Jr. moved his family to Oklahoma City,
20 Oklahoma, in 1949. He was the founder of Duncan Oil and was a
21 member of the International Petroleum Association of America. Along
22 with his father and two brothers, Raymond and Vincent, J. Walter
23 Duncan Jr. expanded beyond oil and gas to office, retail, motel, and
24 multifamily real estate development; and

1 WHEREAS, J. Walter Duncan Jr. was one of the original founders
2 of the United States Football League (USFL) and owned the New Jersey
3 Generals. He was also involved with his family in the development
4 of ski areas in Durango, Colorado. He was an avid sportsman; and

5 WHEREAS, J. Walter Duncan Jr. served on many boards, including
6 Marquette Cement, Liberty Bank, Mercy Hospital, Casady School, and
7 Christ the King Catholic Church. He held a seat on the Chicago
8 Board of Trade and the Union League Club of Chicago; and

9 WHEREAS, J. Walter Duncan died Saturday, February 21, 2009, at
10 the age of 92 years.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
12 OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

13 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate praises the life and career of
14 the late Oklahoma oilman J. Walter Duncan Jr.

15 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate joins the family and friends of
16 J. Walter Duncan Jr. in mourning his loss.

17 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to J. Walter
18 Duncan's wife, Allie; his three children, daughters Lynn Leedy and
19 Elizabeth Lewis, and son Nick Duncan; and two brothers, Monsignor
20 Edward Duncan and Raymond Duncan.

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