

**RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY AND ACHIEVEMENTS  
OF  
JACK F. KEMP**

**WHEREAS**, throughout his life Jack Kemp distinguished himself in every field he entered; and

**WHEREAS**, in the field of athletics he was a preeminent quarterback, a veteran of 13 seasons of professional football at the time of his retirement, having played in the Canadian Football League, the American Football League and the National Football League, having captained teams of both the San Diego Chargers and the Buffalo Bills, having been selected for the American Football League All-Star game seven times, having played in the American Football League championship game five times, and having won the American Football League Most Valuable Player award in 1965 after leading the Buffalo Bills to a second consecutive league championship; and

**WHEREAS**, in the field of politics he was a preeminent Republican leader and speaker, having served 18 years as a member of the United States House of Representatives, having served four years as Secretary of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to President George H. W. Bush, having been a candidate for the Republican nomination for President in 1988 and having been the Republican nominee for the office of Vice President in 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, he was an extremely effective advocate of sound economic principles, including free markets and simplified lower taxes, and became known as a champion of "Chicago school" and supply-side economic policies which produced the Kemp-Roth tax cuts of the 1980s and years of prosperity for the people of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, his life and legacy are an immense credit to the Republican Party; it is therefore

**RESOLVED** that the Republican National Committee expresses its deep appreciation for the service of Jack Kemp to the Republican Party and to the people of the United States of America, acknowledges the great loss occasioned by his death on May 2, 2009, and expresses its deepest sympathy to his family.

*As approved by the RNC Standing Committee on Resolutions, RNC Special Meeting, May 20, 2009*