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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost a distinguished native son 2 with the passing of John W. Holtermann on January 6, 2002, at the 3 age of 90; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Holtermann was born on August 2, 1911, in 5 Sattler, and as a child was educated in a one-room schoolhouse; and

6 WHEREAS, He exchanged wedding vows with the former Gladys 7 Lehmberg on June 1, 1932, and the couple enjoyed a close and 8 fulfilling marriage until her passing in 1996; blessed with a fine 9 family that included a son and three daughters, Mr. Holtermann also 10 took great joy in his 12 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren; 11 and

WHEREAS, In 1934, Mr. Holtermann moved his family to San Antonio, where he was employed in the insurance business; a decade later, he embarked on a successful career with Litton Office Products that spanned 37 years and prompted a move to Brownsville; and

WHEREAS, In retirement, this highly regarded individual made 17 his home in San Marcos and continued to lead a life of exemplary 18 service in behalf of others that began in the 1940s; a charter 19 member of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature, he was chairman 20 21 emeritus of its Legislative Action Committee and was known to and 22 respected by many in public office as a passionate and informed 23 advocate for the causes in which he believed; in his community, he faithfully served the congregation of First United Methodist Church 24

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H.C.R. No. 64 1 as head usher, participated in Lions International, and served on 2 the board of the San Marcos Public Library; and

3 WHEREAS, In recognition of his selfless commitment to his fellow Texans, Mr. Holtermann was accorded many accolades that 4 5 deeply touched this unassuming individual; in 1993 he was presented with a certificate commending him for his volunteer service from 6 7 Governor Ann Richards, in 1998 he was honored by the Texas 8 Legislature with John W. Holtermann Day at the State Capitol, and in 9 2001 he received an award from Governor Rick Perry for his outstanding dedication and service to the State of Texas; and 10

11 WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards from such entities 12 as the Texas Department on Aging, the Texas Department of Health, 13 and the City of San Marcos, he was selected as one of "The Greatest 14 Generation of Texans" by Southwest Airlines and *Texas Monthly*, and 15 the children's chapel at First United Methodist Church in San 16 Marcos was named in honor of his dedicated service as well as that 17 of his wife; and

18 WHEREAS, The life of John W. Holtermann has been an 19 immeasurable blessing to his family, to his friends, and to people 20 throughout the State of Texas, and his spirit will continue to warm 21 the hearts of all who knew and admired him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby pay tribute to the life of John W. Holtermann and extend sincere sympathy to his son, John W. Holtermann, Jr., and his wife, Pat; to his daughter, June Scott, and her husband, Thomas; to his sons-in-law, Robert Caldwell and Richard C. Graham; to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and to his other relatives

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1 and many friends; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House 4 of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory 5 of John W. Holtermann.

> Hilderbran Thompson

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 64 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 16, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 64 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on April 29, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor