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H.R. No. 50

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Francile Morrill on November 3, 2002,
2 at the age of 77, has deeply saddened her family and a host of
3 friends in the San Angelo community; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Arkansas, this public-spirited woman grew up
5 in Harlingen and later moved to the Panama Canal Zone, where she met
6 and married Bill Morrill; with him she enjoyed a close and
7 fulfilling marriage that spanned 54 years until his recent passing;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Morrill and her family made their home on
10 various United States Air Force bases during her husband's military
11 career, and she shared her time with such organizations as the
12 scouts, PTA, United Fund, and Urban League; in 1966 the Morrills
13 moved to San Angelo, where this shy-at-heart person fulfilled her
14 desire for a role in community life in myriad ways, among them
15 participating in political activities and serving on the Recreation
16 Advisory Board and the River Corridor Commission; and

17 WHEREAS, An outspoken advocate for those too reticent to
18 voice their opinions, Mrs. Morrill began regularly attending city
19 council meetings in 1973, a practice she continued throughout her
20 life; she embarked on the first of many terms as a member of the
21 city's planning commission in 1978, was elected chair in 1990, and
22 still held a position on the panel at the time of her passing; and

23 WHEREAS, In recognition of her deep commitment to the people
24 of San Angelo, a permanent memorial in a city park is planned to

1 honor Mrs. Morrill; located on the banks of the Concho River near
2 the Celebration Bridge, the landscaped area will feature a native
3 tree, picnic table, and plaque dedicated to this esteemed civic
4 leader; and

5 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to know Francile Morrill
6 will long miss her zest for life and generous spirit, and her memory
7 will surely live on in the minds and hearts of the many people whose
8 lives she touched; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Francile Morrill and
11 extend sincere sympathy to her son and daughter-in-law, William and
12 Tina Morrill; to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and to
13 all those who mourn the passing of this beloved woman; and, be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Francile
18 Morrill.