

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost a distinguished native son
2 with the passing of the Honorable Maury Maverick, Jr., on January
3 28, 2003, at the age of 82; and

4 WHEREAS, After graduating from the Texas Military Institute
5 in 1938, Mr. Maverick joined the U.S. Marines and served his country
6 during World War II in the Pacific theater; his higher education
7 included a bachelor's degree in economics from The University of
8 Texas and a law degree from St. Mary's University; and

9 WHEREAS, Following in the footsteps of his father, who was a
10 United States representative and mayor of San Antonio, Mr. Maverick
11 entered the political arena and won a seat in the Texas House of
12 Representatives; as a member of that distinguished body from 1950
13 to 1956, he consistently took principled stands against Red-baiting
14 and discriminatory legislation, and he helped derail a bill that
15 would have imposed the death penalty on convicted Communists; and

16 WHEREAS, He then turned his seemingly limitless energy to his
17 legal practice, undertaking many cases relating to civil rights law
18 and tirelessly representing the downtrodden and the disadvantaged;
19 in 1964 he successfully argued a case before the United States
20 Supreme Court, overturning the arrest of a San Antonio man for the
21 possession of supposedly seditious papers that included the works
22 of Karl Marx and Jean-Paul Sartre; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Maverick's notable legal expertise was matched
24 by his exceptional generosity; in recognition of his work on more

1 than 300 pro bono cases during his career, he was chosen to receive
2 the prestigious John Minor Wisdom Public Interest and Professional
3 Award by the American Bar Association in 1991; and

4 WHEREAS, Also a gifted writer, he began a long association
5 with the *San Antonio Express-News* in 1980, and his popular and
6 provoking columns graced that publication's pages for over two
7 decades; and

8 WHEREAS, To his varied roles as an attorney, public servant,
9 and columnist, Mr. Maverick brought an unshakeable commitment to
10 serving the needs of those whose voices so often go unheard; the
11 qualities of courage, tenacity, and wit that were ever-present in
12 his life are virtues admired by all Texans, and his legacy of
13 achievement will benefit residents of our state for generations to
14 come; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
16 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of the Honorable
17 Maury Maverick, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of
18 his family: to his wife, Julia Maverick; to his sister, Terrellita
19 Maverick; and to the many other relatives, friends, and admirers of
20 this beloved Texas icon; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
23 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Maury
24 Maverick, Jr.

McClendon

Craddick	Giddings	Merritt
Allen	Goodman	Miller
Alonzo	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
Bailey	Griggs	Moreno of El Paso
Baxter	Grusendorf	Morrison
Berman	Guillen	Mowery
Bohac	Gutierrez	Naishtat
Bonnen	Haggerty	Nixon
Branch	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Kaufman	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Brazos	Hardcastle	Olivo
Burnam	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Callegari	Hartnett	Pena
Campbell	Heflin	Phillips
Canales	Hegar	Pickett
Capelo	Hilderbran	Pitts
Casteel	Hill	Puente
Castro	Hochberg	Quintanilla
Chavez	Hodge	Rangel
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Christian	Hope	Reyna
Coleman	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Navarro	Howard	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Hughes	Rodriguez
Corte	Hunter	Rose
Crabb	Hupp	Seaman
Crownover	Isett	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Harris	Jones of Lubbock	Smith of Harris
Davis of Dallas	Jones of Bexar	Smithee
Dawson	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Delisi	Keel	Solomons
Denny	Keffer of Dallas	Stick
Deshotel	Keffer of Eastland	Swinford
Driver	King	Talton
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Dunnam	Krusee	Telford
Dutton	Kuempel	Thompson
Edwards	Laney	Truitt
Eiland	Laubenberg	Turner
Eissler	Lewis	Uresti
Elkins	Luna	Van Arsdale
Ellis	Mabry	Villarreal
Farabee	Madden	West
Farrar	Marchant	Wilson
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wise
Flynn	McCall	Wohlgemuth
Gallego	McClendon	Wolens
Garza	McReynolds	Wong
Gattis	Menendez	Woolley
Geren	Mercer	Zedler

H.R. No. 101

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 101 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on January 30, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House