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H.R. No. 1606

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The passing of Thomas "Harold" Lide of Fort Worth on  
2 April 1, 2003, at the age of 81, has brought a tremendous sense of  
3 sadness to the family and many friends of this esteemed Texan; and

4           WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mr. Lide was born in Kaufman on May  
5 31, 1921; preceded in death by his wife of 28 years, Delia Fuller  
6 Lide, he was fortunate to find love again with Evelyn Ann Lide, and  
7 their years together yielded a host of cherished memories; and

8           WHEREAS, Mr. Lide worked for Consolidated/General Dynamics  
9 for 45 years, retiring in 1987 with a keen understanding of airplane  
10 engines, the nickname "Sky King," and the sincere admiration and  
11 respect of his colleagues; and

12           WHEREAS, After retirement, he put his experience to work,  
13 restoring aircraft for Lockheed Martin with the Aviation Heritage  
14 Museum; he kept active in the community as the president of the  
15 Diamond Hill Senior Citizens Center, a representative to the Senior  
16 Citizen Services Advisory Council, the block captain of the Crime  
17 Prevention Unit for the Fort Worth Police Department, and a member  
18 of the Diamond Hill Methodist board of trustees; and in addition, he  
19 was known among his "White House" colleagues as a good domino  
20 player; and

21           WHEREAS, Thomas "Harold" Lide was a man of wisdom, integrity,  
22 and strong faith, and while he will be greatly missed, his memory  
23 will live on in the hearts and minds of the many people who were  
24 fortunate to have known him; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
2   Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Thomas "Harold" Lide  
3   and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his  
4   beloved wife of nearly 30 years, Evelyn Ann Lide; to his daughters,  
5   Linda Lide Browder and her husband, James, and Donna Lide Wilson; to  
6   his stepson, Robert Housewright and his wife, Martha; to his  
7   stepdaughter, Patti McMurray; to his grandchildren, Jamie Lynn  
8   Browder, Julie Carol Browder, and Justin Wilson; to his  
9   step-grandchildren, J. A. Housewright, Janny Smiley, and Joshua  
10   McMurray; to his step-great-grandchildren, Mason and Samuel  
11   Smiley; to his sisters, Vernadene Holland and Janis Baskin; to his  
12   brother, Buck D. Lide; and to his other relatives and many friends;  
13   and, be it further

14           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15   prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
16   Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Thomas  
17   "Harold" Lide.