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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The passing of Paul Howell on August 31, 2001,
brought a great loss to the family and many friends of this
distinguished Texas businessman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Howell served his country with distinction as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Navy; a true hero, he survived the attack on Pearl Harbor and the sinking of his ship in the Battle of the Coral Sea; and

8 WHEREAS, A Louisiana State University graduate, this 9 accomplished gentleman was also a published writer, authoring four 10 books, including *Our Democracy's Game* in 1984; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1955, Mr. Howell acquired a small oil refinery, 12 which became the basis for Howell Corporation, an energy company 13 publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange, and he served as its 14 chief executive officer for many years; he also was an active 15 volunteer and could take special pride in the time he spent teaching 16 life skills to prisoners; and

WHEREAS, The blessings of Paul Howell's life will be forever cherished by his family and all who benefited from the notable contributions he made to the community, and his memory will long endure; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Paul N. Howell and extend sincere sympathy to his family and many friends; and, be it further

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H.R. No. 1977 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Paul Howell.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1977 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on June 2, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House