

By: Wong

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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Howell served his country with distinction as a
5 commissioned officer in the U.S. Navy; a true hero, he survived the
6 attack on Pearl Harbor and the sinking of his ship in the Battle of
7 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

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

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

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
3 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Paul
4 Howell.