## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 892

## In Memory of Malcolm McGregor

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of El Paso and Texans across the state in mourning the loss of Malcolm McGregor, who died May 12, 2003, at the age of 74; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong El Pasoan, Malcolm McGregor was born on January 22, 1929, to Malcolm McGregor, Sr., and Margaret Phillips McGregor; the McGregors were prominent citizens and property owners whose former ranch is now the McGregor Range, a large part of the Fort Bliss military reservation in El Paso; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm earned a bachelor's degree in science from Texas A&M University and a degree from The University of Texas School of Law; he served in the 82nd Airborne Division of the United States Army as a paratrooper from 1951 to 1953, achieving the rank of second lieutenant; in 1957, he married Bobba Hadlock, who preceded him in death in 1972; and

WHEREAS, He began his lifelong love affair with politics when he was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1954, three years before he graduated from law school; he served as a representative for 10 years and cosponsored legislation that became the pilot program for the Head Start program; and

WHEREAS, In the 1960s he practiced law, and he opened his own law practice in 1971; he was a delegate to the 1968 Democratic Convention in Chicago, and shortly thereafter, he bought his first airplane, an open cockpit Stearman; flying soon became his passion, leading him to fly many cross-country trips throughout the rest of his life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McGregor was an avid reader and counted among his friends such authors as Gary Cartwright, Larry King, Cormac McCarthy, and Willie Morris, who featured him in a book about Texas politics in the 1950s; in political circles he was friends with former Governor Ann Richards, El Paso Mayor Ray Caballero, former Lieutenant Governor Bill Hobby, and former Speaker of the House Jim Wright; and

WHEREAS, A man of integrity, strength, and generosity, Malcolm McGregor gave unselfishly of his time to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

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WHEREAS, Malcolm McGregor lived his life to the fullest and was a devoted father and brother, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Malcolm McGregor: his sons, Malcolm McGregor III and Robertson Hadlock McGregor; and his sister, Jean McGregor Jacobs; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Malcolm McGregor.

Shapleigh

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 16, 2003, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate