

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The certain knowledge of a life well lived may  
2 temper the profound sadness that the passing of William Merritt  
3 Noel of Paris on August 2, 2004, at the age of 86, brought to all who  
4 loved him; and

5           WHEREAS, Born on August 19, 1917, in Terre Haute, Indiana,  
6 Mr. Noel graduated from Rose Hulman Institute of Technology in  
7 Terre Haute with a mechanical and electrical engineering degree; he  
8 married Helen Tod Larrance on December 27, 1941, then served with  
9 distinction in World War II as a member of the 82nd Airborne  
10 Division in the European Theatre and was discharged in August 1945  
11 with the rank of major; and

12           WHEREAS, Mr. Noel worked for 34 years with the Campbell Soup  
13 Company and retired as a manager of engineering and maintenance; he  
14 was a member of the Central Presbyterian Church, Founders Lions  
15 Club, and Paris Golf and Country Club; and

16           WHEREAS, Although he is deeply missed, his memory lives on in  
17 the lives of those who were fortunate enough to have known him; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19           RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
20 hereby pay tribute to the life of William Merritt Noel and extend  
21 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Helen  
22 Tod Noel; to his sons, Larrance Merritt Noel and his son, William  
23 Merritt Noel II, and Merritt Andrew Noel and his wife, Delise, and  
24 their children, Thomas Andrew Noel, Taylor Larrance Noel, and Kelly

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1 Elizabeth Noel; to his sister, Naomi Heaton; and to his other  
2 relatives and friends; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
5 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
6 William Merritt Noel.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 183 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 20, 2005.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 183 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on May 20, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor