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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Bobby Morrow, world-renowned three gold medal
2 winner in the Track and Field Championships at the Olympic Games of
3 1956 held in Sydney, Australia, will celebrate in 2006 the 50th
4 Anniversary of his historic feat; and

5 WHEREAS, He was considered to be the "fastest human in the
6 world" because of his winning the 100 meter dash and also the 200
7 meter dash in a world record time of 20.75 seconds in the world
8 Olympics; and

9 WHEREAS, His accomplishments in the 100 meter dash, the 200
10 meter dash, and the 4 X 100 relay team at this world-class event
11 were heralded by the news media in every country of the world and he
12 graced the covers of LIFE MAGAZINE and SPORTS ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE
13 among many other publications; and

14 WHEREAS, He personally appeared on numerous community radio
15 and television networks including, the syndicated Ed Sullivan Show
16 and What's My Line; and

17 WHEREAS, He was named one of the Nine Great Living Americans
18 by the United States Chamber of Commerce in 1957 and was received by
19 the President and Vice President of the United States and numerous
20 Mayors and Governors across America; and

21 WHEREAS, One of his Gold Medals resides in the Smithsonian
22 Institution in Washington D.C.; another of his medals was given by
23 him to the Texas Sports Hall of Fame; and his third gold medal to his
24 Alma Mater, Abilene Christian University, and it has recently been

1 displayed in the Bob Bullock Texas History Museum's, Sports Legends
2 Exhibit in our state capital city; and

3 WHEREBY, Bobby Morrow grew up in the Rio Grande Valley where
4 he graduated from San Benito High School as one of the premiere
5 track and field high school athletes in America, and

6 WHEREAS, He is the proud father of twins, Ron Morrow of
7 Euless, Texas and Vicki Morrow Watson of Hurst, Texas and another
8 daughter Elizabeth Kelton of Austin, Texas, and he and his wife,
9 Judy, now reside in Sealy, Texas near Houston; and

10 WHEREAS, He will be forever remembered as a one of a kind
11 champion who brought fame to the great state of Texas and the United
12 States of America, which he represented in international
13 competitions and has been admired around the world by young and old
14 alike from all walks of life; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
16 Legislature hereby salute Bobby Morrow for his lifetime
17 achievements upon the golden anniversary of his three gold medal
18 victories in the Olympic Games; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Bobby Morrow and his family.