SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 281 In Memory of Charles Leo Korbell

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of Charles Leo Korbell, who passed away January 23, 2005, at the age of 93; and

WHEREAS, Born on December 16, 1911, to Albert B. Korbell and Josephine Thomas Korbell, Charles grew up in Floresville; he excelled in athletics as quarterback and captain of the Floresville High School football team and became known as the "Jim Thorpe of Floresville" for his track and field exploits; he married Emma Raska, also of Floresville, in 1939; and

WHEREAS, Hunting was one of the mainstays of his long and full life; while Charles began hunting as a young man during the Depression as a way to help feed his family, it became his passion, a means to commune with nature and a priceless way to spend time with his family; and

WHEREAS, Charles also spent many hours in his garden, tending his roses and trees and patiently nurturing small cuttings for decades as they grew into large, majestic trees; and

WHEREAS, He retired from the Texas Highway Department in 1977 after 42 years of service to the State of Texas and further added to his long and useful career with 13 years at Vulcan Materials; and

WHEREAS, His strength of character and sense of humor were readily apparent to all who knew him, and Charles Korbell leaves

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behind memories that will be treasured forever by those whose lives he touched; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Charles Leo Korbell: his wife of 65 years, Emma Raska Korbell; his sons and daughters-in-law, John and Bonnie Korbell and Charles and Cheryl Korbell; his daughter, Sharon Kidd, and her husband, Mike Kidd; his eleven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; and his many other beloved relatives and friends; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 1, 2005, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate