

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Joe Farris Shelton of Paris on
2 January 23, 2007, deeply saddened the family and many friends of
3 this beloved Texan and World War II veteran; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on February 22, 1924, in Roxton, to Clyde
5 Oakland and Tommie Farris Shelton, Mr. Shelton enlisted in the U.S.
6 Army Air Corps and served as a radio gunner in the 43rd Bomber
7 Division of the 5th Air Force during World War II; on June 18, 1950,
8 he married the former Callie Ann Ayres in Paris, and their union was
9 blessed with four children; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Shelton, who had attended Paris Junior College
11 prior to his military service, worked as a manufacturer's
12 representative in apparel markets in Dallas, New Orleans, Memphis,
13 and New York City; and

14 WHEREAS, A valued member of the Paris community, this devoted
15 husband and father was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic
16 Church; in his spare time, he enjoyed playing golf; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Shelton touched the lives of countless
18 individuals during his time in this world; he will be greatly
19 missed, but his spirit will always shine brightly in the hearts of
20 his loved ones; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
22 hereby pay tribute to the life of Joe Farris Shelton and extend
23 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife of 56
24 years, Callie Ann Shelton; to his four children and their spouses,

1 Lou Ann and Walter Bassano, Brad and Gwen Ann Shelton, Alice and
2 Dr. Ray Jones, and Laura and Gary Jack; to his seven grandchildren,
3 Walt Bassano, Katy Bassano, Scott Shelton and his wife, Taryn,
4 Julie Shelton, Ben Barnett and his wife, Rebecca, Chris Jack, and
5 Callie Jack; to his sister, Clydelle Westbrook; to his three
6 sisters-in-law, Pat Shelton, Jean Cook, and Mary Wallace; to his
7 brother-in-law, Bill Ayres and his wife, Virginia; to his close
8 friend, Zoe Raines; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
13 Joe Farris Shelton.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 65 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 7, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 65 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on February 26, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor