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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Descendents of John William Spencer are gathering in 2 the Presidio Valley to celebrate their family reunion on October 3 27-29, 2007, and this happy occasion provides a fitting opportunity 4 to recognize the many accomplishments of this esteemed Texan; and

5 WHEREAS, John William Spencer arrived in the Lone Star State 6 in the spring of 1848, becoming one of the first settlers in the 7 Presidio Valley; and

8 WHEREAS, In an effort to serve his fellow pioneers, Mr. 9 Spencer opened a retail business that later became the Spencer 10 Brothers General Store, a successful venture supplying early Texans 11 with dry goods and essential provisions; he also served the people 12 of El Paso County as a notary public; and

WHEREAS, In the early 1880s, Mr. Spencer discovered rich silver ore in the Chinati Mountains and two years later was instrumental in the establishment of the Presidio Mining Company; the business operated for nearly two decades and significantly bolstered the local economy; and

WHEREAS, An astute entrepreneur, Mr. Spencer was also a man of honesty and integrity and was generous to his neighbors and to others in need; he instilled these virtues in his children and grandchildren, and today his descendants continue to give back as military service members, health care professionals, civil servants, law enforcement officials, attorneys, and business owners; and

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1 WHEREAS, Through the years, the contributions made by members 2 of the Spencer family have been interwoven in the compelling story 3 of the Lone Star State, and it is indeed fitting that they be 4 acknowledged at this time; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the organizers and participants 7 of the 2007 Spencer family reunion and extend to all those involved 8 sincere best wishes for a happy and memorable event; and, be it 9 further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for the Spencer family as an expression of high regard by 12 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 434 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House