By: Keffer H.R. No. 847

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A life marked by commendable service to his country and community drew to a close with the passing of World War II veteran Norman Randle of Eastland on October 29, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Born on June 29, 1917, in Edgewood, Mr. Randle was raised in Van Zandt County; he married his first wife, the former Pinkie Love, as a young man, and they lived in Eastland and Ranger; and

WHEREAS, In 1942, Mr. Randle enlisted in the U.S. Army and became a member of the 24th Infantry Division, 647th Ordnance; his tour of duty in World War II included service in Europe, New Guinea, the Philippines, and Australia, and he was among the troops who occupied Japan after its surrender; he was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with Arrowhead device and the World War II Victory Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, After returning from his military service, Mr. Randle was employed by the Premier Oil Company until it closed and then worked for Ranger College for 20 years; a man of faith, he was a valued member of St. Paul Baptist Church in Ranger, where he was a deacon for 34 years; after Pinkie Randle passed away, Mr. Randle married Ledell King in 1990, and the couple moved to Eastland, where they shared 11 happy years together; and

WHEREAS, A loyal friend to many and a devoted companion to his loved ones, Norman Randle will be deeply missed, but he will always be remembered with great admiration and affection; now, therefore,

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- 1 be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Norman Randle and
- 4 extend sincere sympathy to his wife, Ledell Randle, and to his other
- 5 relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Norman
- 9 Randle.