## R E S OLUTION

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. Rande 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,
be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Norman Rande and extend sincere sympathy to his wife, Ledell Randle, and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Norman Randle.

