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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The citizens of Alice lost a beloved friend and a
respected civic leader with the passing of Cecil Carlisle on
December 21, 2006, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, Born on May 4, 1921, in the town he would proudly call home all his life, Mr. Carlisle was a graduate of Alice High School, where he was senior class president and an All-District end for the Alice Coyotes football team; in 1943, he earned his bachelor's degree in business from Texas A&M University before bravely serving his country in World War II as a B-17 pilot; and

WHEREAS, Following his return to civilian life in 1946, Mr. Carlisle began a career in the insurance business, eventually becoming president of Carlisle Insurance Agency; his years of civic service to his community included tenures on the city council, as a charter member of the Jim Wells County Master Planners Association, and as president of the Alice Chamber of Commerce, which honored him in 1988 with induction into its Hall of Honor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carlisle was first elected mayor of Alice in 18 1959, and he held the office until 1967; throughout his 19 distinguished service, he was instrumental in the development of 20 the city and set a sterling example of leadership that is still 21 resonant today; and

22 WHEREAS, A lifetime member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 23 he served on the Diocese of Corpus Christi Advisory Board for four 24 bishops, and helped to found the St. Elizabeth School Endowment

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Fund; in addition, this charter member of the Knights of Columbus Council #2992 was honored with the title of Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and was awarded the distinction of Knight of St. Gregory the Great by Pope John Paul II; and

6 WHEREAS, Highly regarded by all who knew him, Mr. Carlisle 7 built a life that was rich in family, friends, and accomplishments, 8 and although he will be deeply missed, he will always be remembered 9 with great respect and admiration; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Cecil Carlisle and 11 12 extend sympathy to the members of his family: to his children, Nancy Carlisle, Chuck Carlisle and his wife, Mary Jane, Tom Carlisle and 13 14 his wife, Brenda, and Michael Carlisle; to his wife, Janet Carlisle 15 and to her children, Hicks Harris and his wife, Tracy, Hayden Harris and his wife, Linda, and Hollis Harris and his wife, Jennifer; to 16 17 his grandchildren, Lisa, Allison, Daniel, David, Robert, Chase, Juliana, Hunter, Hondo, Shane, Maggie, and Emily; to his seven 18 19 great-grandchildren; to his brother, Gerald Carlisle; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further 20

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Cecil 24 Carlisle.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1373 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 13, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House