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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and 2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends 3 of David Kitchens of Mineola, who passed away on March 3, 2007, at 4 the age of 95; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Mineola on August 25, 1911, Mr. Kitchens 6 graduated from Mineola High School in 1927 and attended Texas A&M 7 University; a veteran of World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy 8 and was stationed in Saipan and the Marianas Islands; and

9 WHEREAS, After completing his military duty, he helped run 10 his family's business, Kitchens Hardware, with his father and 11 brother; he took great pleasure in assisting customers and later 12 took over the store, operating it until his retirement in the early 13 1980s; when he was not working, he enjoyed singing, and he was a 14 member of the Mineola Minstrels performance group; and

WHEREAS, Known for his kind and gentlemanly manner, Mr. Kitchens found pleasure in the smallest details of life; a gifted storyteller, he shared memories of his life and of the history of the town with others; he enjoyed some 50 years of marriage to his wife, the late Rosemond Harman Kitchens, who was a schoolteacher, and the couple were blessed with two sons and a daughter; and

21 WHEREAS, David Kitchens lived a full and generous life, and 22 he will long be remembered with great admiration and affection; 23 now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas

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Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of David Kitchens and offer condolences to the members of his family: to his children, John David Kitchens, William Harman Kitchens, and Charm Barrett; to his grandsons, Jay Kitchens and David and Daniel Barrett; to his great-grandchildren, Daniel and Anna Rose Barrett; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of David 10 Kitchens.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1993 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 18, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House