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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and

meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and friends of

Earnest Kuykendall of San Antonio, who passed away on March 17,

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5 WHEREAS, Earnest Kuykendall was born to Claude and Gussie B.

Kuykendall in San Antonio; a World War II veteran who fought with

7 the U.S. Army at Normandy Beach, Mr. Kuykendall suffered a spinal

8 injury in combat that led him to pursue a career in rehabilitation

therapy; after the war, he attended Huston-Tillotson University and

graduated with a degree in physical education in 1950; and

11 WHEREAS, A recognized leader in the field of rehabilitation

and recreational therapy, Mr. Kuykendall was director of physical

and recreational activities at a Boston veterans affairs hospital

for 20 years; he later returned to Texas to care for his mother and

15 served as a volunteer and board member at the Davis-Scott YMCA; in

16 his retirement, he worked as a private physical therapist and was

even known to help the physically impaired by purchasing medical

18 equipment and supplies for them; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Kuykendall was a man of faith who was affiliated

20 with Antioch Baptist Church as well as with Second Baptist Church;

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WHEREAS, Earnest Kuykendall lived a caring and purposeful

23 life, and he leaves behind a legacy of compassion and generosity

24 that will be forever treasured by those who knew him; now,

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1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Earnest Kuykendall and extend deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his 4 sons, William and Samuel Kuykendall; to his daughter-in-law, Sandra 5 6 Kuykendall; to his grandchildren, William Kyle and Cole Wilson Kuykendall; to his former wife, Alicia Wilson Kuykendall; to his 7 8 brothers, Oliver and Willie Kuykendall; to his sister, Thelma Kuykendall; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it 9 further 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Earnest 13 14 Kuykendall.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2107 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 25, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House