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## By: McClendon

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and 2 meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and friends of 3 Earnest Kuykendall of San Antonio, who passed away on March 17, 4 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Earnest Kuykendall was born to Claude and Gussie B. 6 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 9 therapy; after the war, he attended Huston-Tillotson University and 10 graduated with a degree in physical education in 1950; and

WHEREAS, A recognized leader in the field of rehabilitation 11 12 and recreational therapy, Mr. Kuykendall was director of physical 13 and recreational activities at a Boston veterans affairs hospital 14 for 20 years; he later returned to Texas to care for his mother and served as a volunteer and board member at the Davis-Scott YMCA; in 15 his retirement, he worked as a private physical therapist and was 16 even known to help the physically impaired by purchasing medical 17 18 equipment and supplies for them; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kuykendall was a man of faith who was affiliated with Antioch Baptist Church as well as with Second Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Earnest Kuykendall lived a caring and purposeful life, and he leaves behind a legacy of compassion and generosity 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

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Earnest 14 Kuykendall.

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