## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 230

## In Memory of Dr. David Adolph Berchelmann

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of Dr. David Adolph Berchelmann, who died January 17, 2007, at the age of 87; and

WHEREAS, Born September 1, 1919, David Berchelmann was a lifelong resident of San Antonio and a graduate of Jefferson High School; he attended The University of Texas at Austin and Saint Mary's University and graduated from Saint Louis University School of Medicine in Saint Louis, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berchelmann served as a naval physician during World War II; after his military service he joined his father in the practice of medicine at the Berchelmann Clinic; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berchelmann also joined the staff of Santa Rosa Hospital, where he taught obstetrics and gynecology to interns and residents; he joined the staff of Grace Lutheran General Hospital as well, where he organized the obstetrics and gynecology department, was appointed director of Medical Education, and organized a family practice residency training program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berchelmann's devotion to medicine and civic-mindedness was manifested by his appointments as a physician to the Buckner Baptist Benevolence-Baptist Maternity Home, the Texas Cradle Society, and the Edgewood Independent School District; he was recruited for the Civil Air Patrol and served as the flight surgeon for Group 19; he was a fellow of the International College of Surgeons and a member of the Southern Medical Association, the Bexar County Medical Society, and the Texas Medical Association; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave generously to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berchelmann was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he will long be remembered for his generous spirit and his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Dr. David Adolph Berchelmann: his loving wife, Connie; his daughters and sons-in-law, Constance Joy and John Allovio, Nancye and Jerald Flasch, Mary Ellen and Dr. Daniel Tallerico, and Penny and Mick Muller; his sons and daughter-in-law, Adolph George Berchelmann III and Judge David A. Berchelmann, Jr., and his wife, Dona; his brother, Dr. John Berchelmann, Sr.; and his 10 grandchildren; and, be it further

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**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. David Adolph Berchelmann.

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## President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 14, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate