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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Pastor John A. Hall of San Antonio died on April 18,
 2009, leaving his circle of family and friends with treasured
 memories of time spent in his company; and

WHEREAS, Born in Cuero on July 18, 1921, to Reverend and Mrs.
C. H. Hall, John Hall served his country with distinction during
World War II as a member of the U.S. Army's 304th Aviation Squadron
in the Pacific theater; and

8 WHEREAS, Returning stateside after the war, he earned a 9 bachelor's degree from St. Mary's University and went on to graduate 10 from Guadalupe Theological College with his doctoral degree in 11 divinity; he served as an instructor at that institution for more 12 than four decades and held the post of dean of student affairs; and

13 WHEREAS, After leading the congregation of Friendship 14 Baptist Church in Luling, Pastor Hall was pastor of Trinity Missionary Baptist Church in San Antonio from 1958 to 2008, and he 15 was honored with the title pastor emeritus; a mentor to many young 16 ministers, he was closely associated with the San Antonio 17 Comprehensive Nutrition Project, a drug rehabilitation program 18 named Genesis, the creation of radio, television, and video 19 20 ministries, and the establishment of a daily prayer vigil at 21 Trinity that has operated continuously since its inception in 1978; his professional affiliations included the Baptist Ministers Union 22 23 of San Antonio and the National Baptist Convention of America; and 24 WHEREAS, With his wife, the former Lucille Navarro, Pastor

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Hall shared 30 years of marriage until the time of her passing;
fortunate to find love a second time, he and his wife, Juanita,
together enjoyed a rewarding relationship and many happy times
together; and

5 WHEREAS, Pastor Hall was truly a blessing in the lives of 6 countless people, and he will be deeply missed by all those who were 7 fortunate enough to share in his love and friendship; now, 8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 10 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory 11 of Pastor John A. Hall and extend sincere sympathy to the members of 12 his family: to his wife, Juanita Hall; to his daughter, Mary Ellen 13 Hall Davis; to his granddaughter, Sherice Williams; to his 14 great-granddaughter, Thelma; and to his other relatives and 15 friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of John Hall. Farias

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 59 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on July 2, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House