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H.C.R. No. 108

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their  
2 memories of Bishop Othoe Stegall of Lubbock, who passed away on  
3 February 17, 2009, at the age of 85; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Afton, Bishop Stegall was born on  
5 October 25, 1923, to Lee Franklin and Alice Ash Stegall; he served  
6 his country with distinction during World War II as a member of the  
7 U.S. Air Force 8th Fighter Squadron; and

8 WHEREAS, Following his military service, Bishop Stegall was  
9 self-employed with an automotive upholstery business until 1950,  
10 when he became an ordained minister; he was licensed to preach by  
11 the Church of God at the age of 25, and in 1954 he was ordained as a  
12 bishop; and

13 WHEREAS, Bishop Stegall shared his spiritual guidance with  
14 churches in Stephenville, Brownfield, Sweetwater, Dallas and Fort  
15 Worth, and Paris; he was pastor at Paris Church of God from 1960  
16 until 1974 and later served as interim pastor for Pathway Church of  
17 God; throughout his ministerial career, he inspired his  
18 congregations with his leadership, faith, and vision; and

19 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, he was married to his wife,  
20 Pearl, for more than half a century, and together they raised three  
21 children, David, Sue, and Pat; and

22 WHEREAS, Othoe Stegall will be deeply missed, but he leaves  
23 behind a legacy that will forever be treasured by all those who  
24 shared in the richness of his life; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas  
2 hereby pay tribute to the life of Bishop Othoe Stegall and extend  
3 deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Pearl  
4 Stegall; to his children, David Stegall and his wife, Anita, Sue  
5 Boyd and her husband, Foy, and Pat Byas and her husband, Gerald; to  
6 his grandchildren, Sharee and Jacky Howard, Alice Byas, and Shanna  
7 and Chris Whitney; to his great-grandchildren, Baylee, Wade, and  
8 Harlee Whitney and Lexi Howard; to his brother, Henry Rollins, Jr.;  
9 to his sister, Mary Curby; and to his other relatives and friends;  
10 and, be it further

11           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
13 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
14 Bishop Othoe Stegall.