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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and  
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends  
3 of Herbert Hugh Campbell of Paris, who passed away on April 14,  
4 2009, at the age of 69; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Campbell was a Paris native, born to Cora  
6 Virginia and Louis Campbell on April 26, 1939; he was a member of  
7 the 1951 state champion Little League baseball team and the 1955  
8 District 9AA varsity state championship baseball team; he lettered  
9 in football, basketball, and baseball at Paris High School and was a  
10 member of the National Honor Society and the 1957  
11 all-district/all-state football team; and

12           WHEREAS, In 1957, Mr. Campbell enrolled at Texas A&M  
13 University, where he was active in the Corps of Cadets, earning the  
14 rank of company commander his senior year; he also joined the Ross  
15 Volunteers, the honor guard for the governor of the State of Texas,  
16 and was a student trainer for both the Aggie basketball and football  
17 teams, including a year as trainer for Coach Bear Bryant; and

18           WHEREAS, After graduating with a bachelor's degree in  
19 petroleum engineering in 1961, Mr. Campbell was commissioned as a  
20 second lieutenant in the United States Army, participating in the  
21 rebuilding of Korea after the war; following his service, he worked  
22 for Gulf Oil Company as a petroleum engineer and then as an  
23 executive of Reserve Equipment Service Corporation; and

24           WHEREAS, Mr. Campbell returned to Paris in 1986 as the

1 director of city utilities; in addition to overseeing the expansion  
2 of both the water and sewer treatment plants for the community, he  
3 taught water utility calculation classes throughout the state for  
4 others in the water industry, and he created magic shows for  
5 teaching schoolchildren about water conservation; his public  
6 career ended with his retirement in 2004, but he continued to  
7 contribute as a member of the Paris Water Committee; and

8         WHEREAS, An active volunteer and supporter of youth and adult  
9 sports, Mr. Campbell was president of the board of the Boys Club of  
10 Paris, receiving the group's Wall of Honor Award in 2001; he became  
11 involved with the Adult Special Olympics in 2005 and found great joy  
12 working with each athlete; he also served as the head of delegation  
13 for the Lamar County Contenders; and

14         WHEREAS, Mr. Campbell maintained a lifelong interest in  
15 education, local affairs, and his alma mater; he was president of  
16 the East Texas Regional School of Tyler and a Rotarian, and he  
17 belonged to the Paris Noon Optimist Club, where he was co-chair of  
18 the 1986-1987 Raymond Berry Football Classic; in addition, he  
19 enjoyed his affiliation with the Lamar County A&M Club, serving as  
20 its president from 1987 to 1988, and was involved in the Texas A&M  
21 Letterman's Association and the Association of Former Students  
22 Century Club; and

23         WHEREAS, A member of First United Methodist Church, Mr.  
24 Campbell was a loving family man who placed civic responsibility  
25 above personal interest, and though he will be deeply missed, he  
26 will always be remembered with great affection and admiration; now,  
27 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas  
2 hereby pay tribute to the life of Herbert Hugh Campbell and extend  
3 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Mary Ann  
4 Campbell; to his daughter, Rebecca Anne Campbell, to his  
5 son-in-law, Chester Page; to his stepdaughter, Rebecca Ann Waldron,  
6 to his son-in-law, Sean Robert Waldron; to his grandchildren,  
7 August Rain and Patrick Clover Waldron and Aria Lee Holland-Page;  
8 to his sisters, Phyllis Jean Locke and her husband, Weldon, and  
9 Carol Ann Dollins and her husband, George; to his brother, Richard  
10 Louis Campbell; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be  
11 it further

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