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H.R. No. 117

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of George Hammon Cardiff of Katy on
2 October 29, 2007, at the age of 76, brought a profound loss to all
3 those who were fortunate enough to know him; and

4 WHEREAS, One of the seven sons of Ruth Genevive and John
5 Victor Cardiff, George Hammon Cardiff was born in Houston on
6 January 30, 1931; he joined the U.S. Air Force in 1950, serving his
7 country in the Korean War, and he attended the University of
8 Houston; Mr. Cardiff's relatives, among the early settlers of the
9 Katy Prairie, farmed rice for many years, and after closing his
10 family's farm, he went to work for Brookshire-Katy Drainage
11 District; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Cardiff became a supervisor at the district in
13 1974, and he held this position until 1983, when he was named
14 superintendent of field operations; in April 2006, he retired after
15 more than three decades of outstanding service; throughout his
16 career, Mr. Cardiff was active in the Texas Water Conservation
17 Association, just as his father had been some years earlier; in
18 addition to participating in many of the organization's committee
19 functions, he was instrumental in the development of the Drainage
20 Districts Panel, for which he was a charter director, and he was
21 later awarded an Honorary Life Membership for his significant
22 contributions to the association; and

23 WHEREAS, A respected citizen, Mr. Cardiff was involved in his
24 community as a leader of the local cub scout chapter, charter member

1 of the City of Katy home rule committee, and faithful congregant at
2 First United Methodist Church of Katy; in all of his endeavors, he
3 enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Alby, their two children,
4 Candace and Craig, and their grandson, David; and

5 WHEREAS, Known for his sense of humor and storytelling
6 ability, George Cardiff enriched the lives of many with his kind and
7 generous manner, and he will long be remembered with great
8 admiration and affection; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of George Hammon Cardiff
11 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
12 wife of more than 50 years, Alby Bay Cardiff; to his daughter,
13 Candace Cardiff Latham; to his son, Craig Cardiff; to his grandson,
14 David Latham, Jr.; to his brother, Robert Cardiff, and his wife,
15 Evelyn; to his brother-in-law, Leon Bay, and his wife, Elsa; to his
16 sisters-in-law, Faye Cardiff, Elaine Kuchenbecker and her husband,
17 Richard, Doris Cardiff, and Betty Cardiff; to his many nieces and
18 nephews; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of George
22 Hammon Cardiff.