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By: McClendon

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life came to a close with the 2 death of James Fuller Dodds of San Antonio on August 27, 2007, at 3 the age of 82; and

WHEREAS, Born in Houston and raised near Menard and Brady, Mr. Dodds was a graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, where he earned bachelor's degrees in both electrical and mechanical engineering; while enrolled at the university, he was a member of the Theta Xi fraternity and played tackle on the Longhorn football team; and

10 WHEREAS, Answering his nation's call to service during World 11 War II, Mr. Dodds joined the U.S. Navy in 1942; he served in the 12 Pacific Theater of Operations and was part of the first liberty 13 party to land at Hiroshima at the end of the war; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Dodds enjoyed a successful career with the 15 General Electric Company; working in its heavy apparatus sales 16 division, he retired as the district sales manager for the 17 company's seven-state Southwest District; and

WHEREAS, A longtime member of Covenant Presbyterian Church, Mr. Dodds served as one of the congregation's elders; in his leisure time, he was an avid fisherman and hunter and loved sharing his love of the outdoors by hosting countless fishing trips to the coast; in addition, he was active in the Coastal Conservation Association, the San Antonio Sail and Power Squadron, and the Alamo Fly Fishers; and

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1 WHEREAS, James Dodds built a life that was remarkably rich in 2 family, friends, and accomplishments, and he will always be 3 remembered with great admiration and affection; now, therefore, be 4 it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of James Fuller Dodds and 6 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife of 7 59 years, Helen Dodds; to his children, Ann Dodds Ahuero and her 8 husband, Dan, James Edwin Dodds and his wife, Debbie, Thomas Ruffin 9 10 Dodds and his wife, Georgine, and Daniel Farmer Dodds and his wife, Eileen; to his sister, Ella Virginia Miller; to his grandchildren, 11 12 Dr. Jason Ahuero and his wife, Alice, Dr. Audrey Ahuero, Joey Dodds and his wife, Lindsey, and Ryan, Tyler, Jake, and Matthew James 13 14 Dodds; to his great-granddaughter, Abigail Katherine Ahuero; to his 15 stepgrandchildren, Cliff Hill and his wife, Carrie, Jarrett Hill and his wife, Jaime, and April Thomas and her husband, Jake; to his 16 17 step-great-grandchildren, Ally and Creston Hill; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further 18

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 James 22 Fuller Dodds.

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