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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The legacy of the late Marion Martin Weaver of 2 Center continues to resonate in the community he was proud to call 3 home; and

WHEREAS, Born on March 9, 1921, to Marion and Stella Mae 4 5 Weaver, Martin Weaver graduated in 1937 from Center High School and went on to attend The University of Texas at Austin; when his father 6 7 died in 1939, he and his brother, Malcolm, assumed the operation of the family's lumber company, eventually transforming it into one of 8 9 the most well-known lumberyards in East Texas; together they built and financed homes in Shelby, San Augustine, Panola, and Sabine 10 11 Counties, including the Greenwood and Lakewood subdivisions in 12 Center; and

WHEREAS, The brothers were also instrumental in the growth of the broiler industry in Shelby County in the late 1940s; Martin Weaver designed and built the first broiler house in the area and later cooperated with feed companies and farmers to build numerous others; in just two decades, the county gained recognition as one of the broiler capitals of the Southwest and as the number one egg-producing county in the state; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Weaver further distinguished himself as a World 21 War II veteran and as the founder of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 22 Shelby County; moreover, he served on the Center City Council and 23 was a member of the Rotary Club and First Christian Church; and 24 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Weaver shared more than

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1 four decades with his wife, Joy, and the couple were the proud 2 parents of a daughter, Joy Ann Weaver Havran; Mr. Weaver also 3 enjoyed many friendships through the years; he was known for his 4 thoughtful and caring nature as well as for living by the messages 5 found in two favorite songs, "Give the World a Smile" and "Have a 6 Little Faith in Jesus"; and

7 WHEREAS, Although Mr. Weaver's death on June 10, 1982, 8 brought great sadness to the people of Shelby County, his 9 outstanding contributions have not been forgotten, and it is indeed 10 fitting to honor the memory of this esteemed Texan; now, therefore, 11 be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Marion Martin Weaver; 14 and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Martin Weaver.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 560 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 26, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House