By: Kolkhorst H.R. No. 562

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The community of Bellville suffered a profound loss
- 2 with the untimely passing of Harold Roger Luhn on December 19, 2008,
- 3 at the age of 52; and
- WHEREAS, Born on June 10, 1956, to Roger and Florence Luhn,
- 5 Harold Luhn was raised in Bellville and graduated from Bellville
- 6 High School; his interest in agriculture inspired him to earn the
- 7 Lone Star FFA degree from the Texas FFA Association in 1973, and he
- 8 went on to receive the American FFA degree, the national
- 9 organization's highest achievement, two years later; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Luhn made his living as a farmer and rancher, and
- 11 he was active in a variety of agriculture-related activities,
- 12 including the Austin County Fair, an event he had first
- 13 participated in when he was an infant and his parents had carried
- 14 him on horseback in the parade; as an adult, he kept up a family
- 15 tradition started by his father by serving various administrative
- 16 functions for the fair, including a three-year term as president,
- 17 and in 2008, he had the honor of being the parade marshal for the
- 18 81st annual fair parade; in addition, Mr. Luhn was vice chair of the
- 19 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Go Texan Contest Committee and
- 20 served as director of the Austin County Farm Bureau; respected
- 21 throughout the state for his many contributions, he was named the
- 22 2006 Volunteer of the Year by the Texas Association of Fairs and
- 23 Events; and
- 24 WHEREAS, This notable Texan married the former Rosie Reznicek

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- 1 in 1977, and the couple were blessed with two daughters, Laurie and
- 2 Shawna; a devoted husband and father, Mr. Luhn cherished the time he
- 3 spent with his children and adored his two granddaughters; he was
- 4 also an antique tractor enthusiast, and his knowledge of farm
- 5 machinery allowed him to collaborate on the development of an
- 6 innovative hay-baling device; and
- WHEREAS, Active in his community, Mr. Luhn was a parishioner
- 8 at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Bellville and a member of
- 9 the Holy Name Society, and his many civic contributions were
- 10 honored with his selection as Lions Club Citizen of the Year in
- 11 2007; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Harold Luhn brightened the lives of countless people
- 13 during his time on this earth, and though he will be greatly missed,
- 14 memories of his generosity and dedication will forever be cherished
- 15 by those who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore,
- 16 be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 18 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Harold Roger Luhn and
- 19 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 20 Rosie Luhn; to his daughters and their spouses, Laurie Haseltine
- 21 and her husband, William, and Shawna Svinky and her husband,
- 22 Michael; to his grandchildren, Mary and Amy Haseltine; to his
- 23 mother, Florence Luhn; to his brother, Fred Luhn, and his wife,
- 24 Sherry; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
- 25 further
- 26 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 27 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of

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- 1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Harold
- 2 Roger Luhn.