

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and purposeful life came to an end on
2 September 20, 2008, with the passing of Samuel Cavness of Marathon
3 at the age of 90; and

4 WHEREAS, Born to Will and Dolly Cavness in Mason County on
5 June 8, 1918, Sam Cavness answered his nation's call to duty during
6 World War II and served as the head of a cavalry unit gun crew in the
7 South Pacific theater; for his courageous and dedicated service,
8 Mr. Cavness was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, the
9 Good Conduct Medal, four bronze stars, the Philippine Liberation
10 Ribbon with two bronze stars, and the American Defense Service
11 Medal; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Cavness earned his living in the ranching
13 business throughout his adult life, working on the Dove Mountain
14 Ranch for 32 years, at Black Mesa Ranch for 7 years, and on the Guy
15 Combs Ranch for 8 years; and

16 WHEREAS, He married the former Patsy Ruth Granger on
17 September 2, 1946, and the couple were blessed with four sons; they
18 also had the privilege of welcoming 12 grandchildren and 9
19 great-grandchildren into their family during more than six decades
20 of marriage; and

21 WHEREAS, Sam Cavness bravely served his nation in a time of
22 war and returned home to establish a life filled with joyful times
23 and meaningful accomplishments, and he will be fondly remembered by
24 all those fortunate enough to know him; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Samuel Cavness and
3 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
4 Patsy Cavness; to his sons, Toby, Leo, Sammy and his wife, Dara, and
5 Robert and his wife, Paula; to his grandchildren, Amy Hardy, Amber
6 Decker, and Buddy, Matt, Cody, Joe, Cal, Chet, Clay, Richard,
7 April, and Whittney Cavness; to his great-grandchildren, Caleb
8 Decker, Summer and Sterling Hardy, and Madison, Mason, Caden,
9 Logan, Carly, and Owen Cavness; and to his other relatives and
10 friends; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Samuel
14 Cavness.

Gallego

H.R. No. 593

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 593 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 5, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House