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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lloyd Jefferson Roberts, Jr., of Edinburg, an
admired community leader and exemplary businessman, passed away on
March 8, 2008, at the age of 91; and

WHEREAS, Born in Tyler in 1916, "Bob" Roberts graduated from Edinburg public schools and Edinburg Junior College before earning a bachelor of business administration degree from The University of Texas at Austin; he went on to serve his country as a member of the U.S. Army during World War II, attaining the rank of major, and he later served as a member of both the U.S. Army Cavalry and the Adjutant Generals Corps; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1947, Mr. Roberts went to work as general manager 12 of his family's car dealership, the Standard Motor Company, which he later renamed Roberts Chevrolet; through the years, he was known 13 14 as a fair and friendly businessman whose employees remained with him for decades, and he had the pleasure of working alongside 15 several family members, including his brother, Harry; he was 16 honored in 1997 as a 50-year Chevrolet dealer by the Texas 17 Automobile Dealers Association and retired some years later at the 18 age of 85; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Devoted to his community, this esteemed Texan 21 further distinguished himself through his leadership in the 22 Edinburg Kiwanis Club, the Edinburg Chamber of Commerce, and the 23 Rio Grande Council of the Boy Scouts of America; in addition, he 24 shared his expertise with the urban renewal board of Edinburg, the

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board of the Hidalgo County Road District, and the board of Hidalgo
Savings and Loan, which he served for nearly two decades; and

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3 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts counted among his favorite pastimes hunting, fishing, traveling, gardening, 4 photography, and astronomy, and he enjoyed music ranging from opera to country; 5 moreover, he was passionate about the landscape of South Texas and 6 delighted in taking long drives in the country; in all of his 7 8 endeavors, he was supported by his wife, Jo, with whom he shared more than half a century; and 9

10 WHEREAS, Bob Roberts was a man of character, generosity, and 11 enthusiasm who made a lasting and positive difference to the 12 Edinburg community and to a wide circle of family, friends, 13 associates, and employees, and he will be remembered with great 14 affection and admiration by all those whose lives he touched; now, 15 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 16 17 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lloyd Jefferson "Bob" Roberts, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his 18 19 family: to his wife, Jo Lynge Roberts; to his daughter, Cynthia Roberts; to his sons, Kip Roberts and Mitchell Roberts and his wife, 20 Paula; to his granddaughters, Jenna and Lana Roberts; to his 21 brother, Harry Roberts; to his brother-in-law, Ed Lynge and his 22 wife, Jane; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it 23 24 further

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H.R. No. 655 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 2 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 3 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lloyd 4 Jefferson "Bob" Roberts, Jr.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 655 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 12, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House