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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends mourn the loss of Dr. William 2 Gordon McGee of El Paso, who died on April 6, 2008, at the age of 74; 3 and

WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Dr. McGee completed a double residency in internal medicine and pathology; he began working as a pathologist at Hotel Dieu Hospital in El Paso, and he was instrumental in developing a laboratory business now known as Quest Diagnostics; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. McGee was deeply committed to providing good medical care; he was the founder of El Paso's Emergency Medical 10 11 Service system and had served as chairman of the board of that 12 organization; he also served as chairman of the boards of the Texas Medical Association, the El Paso city-county health board, and El 13 14 Paso First, where he fought to make health insurance available to children from low-income families; additionally, he had been 15 16 president of the Texas Society of Pathologists and the El Paso 17 County Medical Society; and

WHEREAS, He was appointed by Governor Mark White to the Texas Tech University board of regents, where he worked to establish the El Paso medical school as a four-year institution; he worked statewide to improve the delivery of health care along the border, and he was honored by the Texas Society of Pathologists with the George J. Caldwell Award and received the Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Medical Association; and

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1 WHEREAS, Dr. McGee dedicated himself to his community, his 2 state, and his country, and his warmth, wisdom, and valued counsel 3 will not be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. William Gordon
McGee and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family;
and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. William 11 Gordon McGee.