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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, William B. Morrow of Lake Jackson had a long and 2 distinguished career with the Brazosport Independent School 3 District and continues to enjoy the respect and admiration of area 4 citizens; and

5 WHEREAS, On April 19, 2009, the football field at Clute 6 Intermediate School is being dedicated as Morrow Field in his 7 honor, and the Clute City Council has proclaimed April 19 as Coach 8 Bill Morrow Day in the community; and

9 WHEREAS, Originally from Bay City, Bill Morrow served as a 10 member of the U.S. Navy during World War II; he subsequently decided 11 to enter the field of education and began his career as a teacher 12 and coach at Clute Junior High School in 1952; he later coached 13 varsity football at Brazosport High School in Freeport before 14 joining Brazoswood High School in Clute in 1970; in total, he guided 15 some 2,000 football players through the years; and

16 WHEREAS, Coach Morrow had a tremendous impact on his students 17 who, along with their families, have been instrumental in seeking 18 the dedication of Morrow Field; he fondly recalls his coaching days 19 as some of the best in his life, and while he occasionally wonders 20 if it would have been easier to work cattle, as his father preferred 21 he do, he has been well rewarded by witnessing the maturity and 22 success of his former players; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Morrow eventually left coaching to become 24 transportation director for the district, in which capacity he

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1 ensured safe travel for students to and from school and on tours and 2 trips across the state; he retired from that position in 1990, 3 concluding nearly four decades of service; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed gentleman is an exceptional hero to his family, including his wife, Maye, a former teacher, his daughters, Doris Aldrich and Elizabeth Clark, both of whom have joined their parents as educators, and his five grandchildren; and

8 WHEREAS, Coach Morrow has influenced the lives of countless 9 Texans with his enthusiasm, dedication, and leadership, and it is 10 indeed a pleasure to honor him for his many accomplishments; now, 11 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby commend Bill Morrow for his outstanding contributions to the Brazosport Independent School District and commemorate the dedication of Morrow Field in his honor; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for Coach Morrow as an expression of high regard by the 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1404 was adopted by the House on April 17, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House