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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The death of John Paul Scarbrough of El Paso on March
 30, 2009, at the age of 90, has profoundly saddened his family and
 friends; and

WHEREAS, The son of Joseph and Roxie Scarbrough, Dr. Scarbrough was born on June 26, 1918; he served his country with distinction as a weather squadron commander during World War II and was stationed with the Army Air Corps Eighth Air Force in England and France; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Scarbrough earned his doctorate from the 10 University of New Mexico and went on to become a professor of 11 education at The University of Texas at El Paso; deeply committed to 12 teacher education, he mentored hundreds of students with enormous 13 insight and generosity, and through them made a positive difference 14 in the lives of schoolchildren in El Paso and beyond; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Dr. 15 16 Scarbrough served as a liaison between the university and the El Paso and Ysleta public school systems and was a favorite keynote 17 speaker at local high school graduations; he gained the lasting 18 respect and affection of his students, his colleagues, and the 19 20 education community, and he was honored as Professor of the Year; 21 after retiring from the university, he was awarded emeritus status; 22 and

23 WHEREAS, This distinguished educator also earned the 24 appreciation of the community as a cofounder and longtime board

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1 member of the El Paso Chopin Music Festival and of the El Paso Civic
2 Orchestra; he enjoyed many happy years of marriage to Lucy Ardans
3 Scarbrough, who brought joy into his life through music and
4 creativity; he was devoted to his four children and treasured his
5 nieces, nephews, and other members of his extended family; and

6 WHEREAS, An inspiring individual, John Paul Scarbrough was 7 greatly admired for his intellect, his honesty, his thoughtfulness, 8 and his strength of character, and those who held him dear will 9 forever cherish their memories of him; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of John Paul Scarbrough 11 12 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his children, Paul and Mark Scarbrough, Ann Hanna, and Ginger Andersen; 13 14 to his grandchildren, Simon and Julian Wilner, Daniel Harry, 15 Therese and Drake Hanna, and John Paul, Bridget, and Mark Andersen; to his brother, Wendell Scarbrough; and to his many other relatives 16 17 and friends; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 20 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of John Paul 21 Scarbrough.

> Moody Pickett Chavez Quintanilla Marquez

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1941 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 19, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House