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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Howard
2 Lee Mangold of San Antonio, who died on April 8, 2009, at the age of
3 76; and

4 WHEREAS, Howard Mangold was born in Keyser, West Virginia, on
5 January 31, 1933, to Howard Taft Mangold and Oma Gladys Mangold;
6 after graduating from Keyser High School in 1950, he attended
7 Potomac State College; and

8 WHEREAS, Interested in aviation from an early age, he earned
9 his pilot's license at the age of 19 and purchased an Aeronca
10 Champion airplane; a few years later, he enlisted in the U.S. Air
11 Force and was accepted into the aviation cadet program in 1955; and

12 WHEREAS, He married the former Vivian Knopp in 1957, and
13 after his discharge from the air force the couple lived in West
14 Virginia, where he worked first for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad
15 and then at Allegheny Ballistics Laboratory; and

16 WHEREAS, In 1962, Mr. Mangold and his wife moved to San
17 Antonio, where he attended San Antonio College, majoring in public
18 speaking, economics, and business administration; during his time
19 at the college, he won praise for his innovative ideas for reducing
20 the amount of plastic litter along roadways; he later went to work
21 in the Mech-Tech department at Kelly Air Force Base, and he earned
22 awards on two occasions for his money-saving ideas; and

23 WHEREAS, While continuing his employment at Kelly AFB, Mr.
24 Mangold opened the first of several motorcycle dealerships in the

1 San Antonio area, then following his civil service retirement in
2 1999, he served as an assistant for councilman and then mayor Ed
3 Garza and councilman Julian Castro; he also worked for Mannheim
4 Auto Auctions and held a patent for an invention called the Bridge
5 Buddy; and

6 WHEREAS, An energetic and innovative spirit, Howard Mangold
7 lived a full and productive life, and memories of happy times spent
8 in his company will be held forever in the hearts of those who knew
9 and loved him; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Howard Lee Mangold and
12 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife of
13 52 years, Vivian Mangold; to his daughter, Anita Louise Mangold
14 Eisthen; to his son, Howard Keith Mangold; and to his other
15 relatives and friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Howard Lee
19 Mangold.