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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Earl Milton Morin, Jr., of Houston died on May 20,
2 2009, at the age of 67, leaving behind many friends and admirers
3 with treasured memories of time spent in his company; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Houston on December 27, 1941, to Earl Milton
5 Morin, Sr., and LaNelle Sheffield Morin, Milton Morin enjoyed the
6 companionship of two sisters, Nell and Carol; he graduated in 1960
7 from St. Thomas High School and went on to earn undergraduate
8 degrees in history from the University of St. Thomas and in
9 journalism from the University of Houston; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Morin continued his family's legacy in the
11 newspaper business as the third-generation owner and publisher of
12 Houston's *Daily Court Review* from 1970 to 2004 and as publisher
13 emeritus from 2004 to 2009; and

14 WHEREAS, A dedicated journalist and an avid believer in
15 transparency in government, he was actively involved in municipal
16 affairs in his hometown and a frequent visitor to the State Capitol
17 to meet with elected officials; his professional affiliations
18 included the Texas Press Association, the Texas Gulf Coast Press
19 Association, the Texas Daily Newspaper Association, the National
20 Newspaper Association, and American Court and Commercial
21 Newspapers, Inc.; he was also a member of the TDNA/TPA legislative
22 advisory committee; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Morin wrote not only news stories but also
24 poetry and prose, and he had recently completed a comprehensive

1 genealogy on the Morin family; his strong religious faith led him to
2 serve as an elder in several congregations and lead services at area
3 retirement communities; a voracious reader who favored the Bible
4 and history books, he also enjoyed woodworking, traveling, and
5 playing golf in his retirement; and

6 WHEREAS, A kind and generous man who readily offered
7 assistance to anyone in need, Milton Morin will forever be
8 remembered for his warm and outgoing nature, his delightful sense
9 of humor, and his passionate engagement in the world around him;
10 now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Earl Milton Morin,
13 Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
14 his wife of 43 years, Elizabeth Morin; to his children, Thomas
15 Milton Morin and his wife, Julie, and Sarah Morin Geyer and her
16 husband, Mark; to his granddaughter, Maya Kathryn Morin; to his
17 sister and her husband, Nell Jeanne Morin Gudger and the Reverend
18 Gordon Gudger; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Earl Morin.