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H.R. No. 80

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of San Antonio lost a beloved resident with
2 the death of Steven F. Gehrlein on May 9, 2011, at the age of 61; and

3 WHEREAS, Born in Brooklyn, New York, on September 28, 1949,
4 to Walter and Frances Gehrlein, Steve Gehrlein moved to San Antonio
5 with his family as a child; after graduating from Edison High School
6 in 1967, he served as a patrol officer with the San Antonio Police
7 Department while attending St. Mary's University, where he earned a
8 bachelor's degree in 1974; he later worked with the Missouri
9 Pacific Railroad as a railroad engineer; and

10 WHEREAS, A highly skilled mechanic, Mr. Gehrlein left the
11 Missouri Pacific in the late 1970s and bought a Texaco station; that
12 venture proved so successful that he acquired a larger location in
13 1984 and established the Cambridge Auto Center; it was also in 1984
14 that he began his long run as the popular host of *The Automotive*
15 *Show* on KTSA Radio; through that program, he shared his extensive
16 knowledge of autos and dispensed advice to listeners throughout San
17 Antonio and South Texas; in addition, Mr. Gehrlein coauthored a
18 book titled *Save \$\$\$ on Car Repairs*, and he was a member of the Texas
19 Automotive Writers Association; and

20 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Gehrlein enjoyed the love
21 and support of his wife, Anne; he was blessed with three children,
22 Kristy, Kira, and Steven, as well as three grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, While Steve Gehrlein completed his journey on this
24 earth far too soon, he enjoyed a life that was rich in family,

1 friends, and accomplishments, and he will forever be remembered
2 with great admiration and affection; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
4 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
5 of Steven F. Gehrlein and extend sincere condolences to the members
6 of his family: to his wife, Anne Gehrlein; to his daughters and
7 sons-in-law, Kristy and Dewayne Allen and Kira and Sean Willingham;
8 to his son, Steven Ryan Gehrlein, and his companion, Amy Green; to
9 his three grandchildren, MaryAlice, Lola, and Jake; to his brother,
10 Walter Gehrlein, and his wife, Janice; to his friend and business
11 partner, Judy Lenard; and to his other relatives and friends; and,
12 be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Steve
16 Gehrlein.