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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A full and productive life drew to a close with the

2 passing of George Vernon Wright, Jr., of San Antonio, on June 1,

3 2011, at the age of 85; and

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WHEREAS, The son of George and Clara Wright, Mr. Wright was

born in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 11, 1925; he grew up in

6 Wheatland, Missouri, and completed high school in Raleigh, North

7 Carolina; he attended Kings Business College in Raleigh before

8 serving his country in the United States Army in Japan during World

9 War II; later, he attended John Brown University in Arkansas and

10 became a territorial manager for Owens-Illinois in Texas until his

11 retirement in 1987; he and his wife, Freida, owned the Diet Center

12 on Bandera Road until 1993; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wright served as a precinct election judge for

14 many years, and he was a valued congregant of First Baptist Church

of San Antonio; a fan of big band music and ballroom dancing, he was

16 a member of the K Supper Club; he enjoyed dancing at its events with

17 Mrs. Wright and always cut a fine figure in his stylish suits and

18 wingtip shoes; blessed with a lovely voice, he often delighted

19 those around him by singing along with ballads and hymns on the

20 radio; his other great pleasures included gardening and watching

21 the Fox news channel, Lawrence Welk, and British comedies, a taste

22 he acquired from his English-born bride; and

WHEREAS, Charming and empathetic, George Wright brought joy

24 to innumerable people through his warm, engaging manner; although

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- 1 his death has deeply saddened his loved ones, he has left behind
- 2 many fond memories that they will forever treasure; now, therefore,
- 3 be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 5 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 6 George Vernon Wright, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the
- 7 members of his family: to his wife of 32 years, Freida Wright; to
- 8 his sons, Greger Wright, Mike Wright, Major Curby Graham, and Kerry
- 9 Graham; to his daughters-in-law, Stephanie and Kristina; to his
- 10 grandchildren, Claire, Vivian, Kennah, and Kolton; to his sister,
- 11 Ann Measell, and her husband, Dave; to his brother, Richard Wright,
- 12 and his wife, Lynn; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be
- 13 it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of George
- 17 Vernon Wright, Jr.