SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68

In Memory of Joseph H. Flom

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of prominent attorney and humanitarian Joseph H. Flom; and

WHEREAS, Joseph H. Flom was an exemplary citizen who was widely admired throughout his profession and his community for his brilliant intellect, his impeccable judgment, and his philanthropic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Flom joined the law firm of Skadden, Arps in 1948 as the firm's first associate; over the course of his distinguished career, he guided the firm from a four-lawyer entity to its present status as a global law firm with 2,000 attorneys and scores of practice areas; and

WHEREAS, He was one of the first attorneys to push mergers and acquisitions to the top of corporate agendas, and he played a vital role in fundamentally transforming the practice of corporate law; and

WHEREAS, He was active in community and professional affairs and was known for his generosity and commitment to social responsibility; he was a founding trustee of the Skadden Fellowship Foundation and provided support for the Gateway School and for cancer research at the Mount Sinai-New York University Medical Center Health System; he was named one of the lawyers of the century in 1999 by *The American Lawyer*; and

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WHEREAS, Joe Flom was a dedicated supporter of academics and the arts, and he worked to promote interdisciplinary research, equal opportunity, and diversity in the legal profession; he lent his expertise and vision to numerous educational and civic organizations and corporate boards, and he was a trusted advisor and a faithful friend; and

WHEREAS, He was beloved by his family and all who shared in his life, and he will long be remembered for his generous spirit and his many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Joseph H. Flom; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joseph H. Flom.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 20, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate