By: Callegari H.R. No. 267

RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, Residents of Dickinson lost a beloved neighbor and admired community leader with the passing of Richard Dix Diehl on July 20, 2010, at the age of 83; and
 WHEREAS, A native of Hightower, "RD" Diehl was born on August 27, 1926, to Walter and Alma Diehl; he served this nation as a
- 6 member of the Army Air Corps during World War II and went on to have 7 a notable 33-year career as a valued employee of Union Carbide; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Diehl further distinguished himself through his
- 9 service in behalf of area citizens; president of Galveston County
- 10 Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 for a quarter-century,
- 11 he also served as president and director of the North Galveston
- 12 County Chamber of Commerce and as director of the Harris-Galveston
- 13 Subsidence District; moreover, he benefited the Association of
- 14 Water Board Directors, leading the group as director from 2003
- 15 until 2009; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Diehl shared more than six decades of marriage
- 17 with his wife, Nelda, and he took great pride in their children,
- 18 Rick and Brenda, as well as their six granddaughters and eight
- 19 great-granddaughters; in addition to spending time with his loved
- 20 ones, this avid pilot enjoyed flying throughout his life; and
- 21 WHEREAS, "RD" Diehl is deeply missed, and memories of him
- 22 will long serve to comfort and inspire those he leaves behind; now,
- 23 therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Dix Diehl and
- 2 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 3 Nelda Fay Diehl; to his son, Rick Diehl, and his wife, Beth; to his
- 4 daughter, Brenda Brock, and her husband, John; to his brothers,
- 5 Robert, William, and Ronald Diehl; to his granddaughters, Cristi
- 6 Finney, Tranette Whitfield, Julie Brinkley, Cari Pease, Jennifer
- 7 Diehl, and Holly Teague; to his great-granddaughters, Taylor
- 8 Finney, Jordan Finney, Sydney McCrory, Brooklyn Ochoa, Avery
- 9 Brinkley, Cameron Whitfield, Chandler Brinkley, and Piper Pease;
- 10 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Richard Dix
- 14 Diehl.