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H.R. No. 1451

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the  
2 death of George Milton Keller of Mason on March 2, 2010, at the age  
3 of 75; and

4           WHEREAS, George Keller was born on his family's Loma Vista  
5 ranch, 12 miles south of Mason, on May 1, 1934, and he grew up with a  
6 deep appreciation of the land and country life; in his youth, he  
7 worked on the ranch and formed a lifelong bond with a group of high  
8 school friends who called themselves the James River Cowboys; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Keller attended Texas A&M University before  
10 serving his country as a member of the United States Navy; one  
11 evening in San Antonio, he had the good fortune to meet a young  
12 Canadian nurse on vacation, and less than a year later, he and the  
13 former Janet Hayes were married; the couple were blessed with five  
14 children, Michael, Mark, John, Laura, and Kathryn, and with the  
15 passing decades, the family grew to include 10 grandchildren; and

16           WHEREAS, For many years, Mr. Keller ran Mason County Farm  
17 Bureau Insurance, and it was widely known that his word was his  
18 bond; he greatly enjoyed working as a guide during hunting season  
19 and relished the camaraderie he shared with his fellow guides; and

20           WHEREAS, In 2000, he was ordained as a deacon and began  
21 serving the members of St. Joseph Parish by performing baptisms,  
22 weddings, funerals, and other duties; and

23           WHEREAS, George Keller's life was centered around his family,  
24 his faith, and his friends, and he will forever be remembered with

1 admiration and affection by all who had the good fortune to know  
2 him; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of George Milton  
5 Keller and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to  
6 his wife, Janet Hayes Keller; to his sons, Michael Keller and his  
7 wife, Juanita, Mark Keller and his wife, Lisa, and John Keller and  
8 his wife, Sherry; to his daughters, Laura Keith and her husband,  
9 Shane, and Kathryn Ray and her husband, Chad; to his grandchildren,  
10 Logan, Mason, Lauren, Hayden, Tyson, Tristin, Cameron, Lauren,  
11 Keller Ann, and George; to his sisters, Rosemary Kruckemeyer and  
12 Sue Forestello; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it  
13 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 Keller.