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H.R. No. 1499

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 Robert Paul McFarland of Alpine on February 20, 2011, at
3 the age of 89; and

4 WHEREAS, Bob McFarland was born on January 2, 1922, and spent
5 his youth in Eastland County; he worked for the Southwest Peanut
6 Growers Association in Gorman and joined the United States Army to
7 fight for his country during World War II; he and his wife, Myra Jo,
8 enjoyed a rewarding marriage until she passed away, and they raised
9 one daughter, Carla; and

10 WHEREAS, After the war, Mr. McFarland entered The University
11 of Texas at Austin and earned a degree in engineering; he worked for
12 the Robert E. McKee Company on such projects as the Dallas/Fort
13 Worth International Airport, various Texas Instruments plants, and
14 the First National Bank building in Dallas, which was the tallest
15 building west of the Mississippi River at the time it was built; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. McFarland moved to Alpine in 1998, where he made
17 many friends, young and old alike, with his humorous storytelling,
18 his fresh-baked cookies, and his fun-loving nature; a sports lover
19 throughout his life, he was a devoted fan of the UT football team
20 and the Dallas Cowboys; and

21 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to share in the friendship
22 and love of Bob McFarland will always remember him with great
23 tenderness and affection and will fondly recall the happy times
24 they spent in his company; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Robert Paul
3 McFarland and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
4 family: to his daughter, Carla McFarland, and her life partner,
5 John Green; to his grandchildren, Robert and Michelle Williamson;
6 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Bob
10 McFarland.