

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories  
2 of Ira McCleave Mathews, Sr., of Waco, who passed away on April 13,  
3 2011, at the age of 82; and

4           WHEREAS, Born on April 24, 1928, in Waco, Ira Mathews was the  
5 eighth child and youngest son of Jacob and Pleasant Mathews; he  
6 married Vera Lee Williams in 1948, and the couple enjoyed more than  
7 four decades together before her death in 1993; a devoted family  
8 man, he took great pride in their four children, Sheryl, Betty,  
9 Helen, and Ira; and

10           WHEREAS, Mr. Mathews worked for the Greyhound bus company for  
11 more than 25 years and was employed by the *Waco Tribune-Herald* at  
12 the time of his passing; and

13           WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Ira Mathews  
14 will remember how he touched their lives with his kindness,  
15 generosity, and ever-present smile, and he will forever hold a  
16 treasured place in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

17           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
18 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ira McCleave  
19 Mathews, Sr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his  
20 family: to his daughters, Sheryl Newson, Betty Tatum, and Helen  
21 Mathews and Lennard Thompson; to his son, Ira McCleave Mathews,  
22 Jr.; to his grandchildren, Charhonda Mysti Chakrathouk and her  
23 husband, Thong, Zoey Lynn Kennington, and Chris Mathews; to his  
24 great-granddaughter, Ambria Chakrathouk; to his sisters, Hazel

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1 Cobb, Theresa Mathews, and Thelma Herron; to his sister-in-law,  
2 Geneva Edwards, and her husband, Bennie; and to his other relatives  
3 and friends; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ira  
7 Mathews.

Anderson of McLennan

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1943 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 19, 2011.

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Chief Clerk of the House