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## RESOLUTION

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