By: Anderson of McLennan

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories 2 of Ernest "Ray" Hicks of Waco, who passed away on April 9, 2011, at 3 the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, Ray Hicks was born in Groesbeck on September 10, 5 1934, to Ernest and Nina Hicks; as a young man he answered his 6 nation's call to duty and served with the U.S. Army; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks wed the former Naomi Sedberry, the love of 8 his life, on Valentine's Day in 1963; they enjoyed a rewarding 9 marriage of 48 years and were blessed with three sons, Donald, 10 Randy, and Ralph, as well as nine grandchildren and three 11 great-grandchildren; and

12 WHEREAS, A longtime truck driver, Mr. Hicks enjoyed being on 13 the road and seeing new places; over the years, he worked for Young 14 Brothers, Campbell Soup, and Central Texas Frame and Alignment, and 15 he was a self-employed contractor; and

16 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to share in the life of Ray 17 Hicks will always remember him with great affection and admiration; 18 now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ray Hicks and extend 21 sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Naomi 22 Hicks; to his sons, Randy Wayne Hicks, Donald Ray Hicks and his 23 wife, Nancy, and Ralph Len Hicks and his wife, Rana; to his nine 24 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; to his twin sister,

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Dorothy Sterling, and his other sister, Georgia Baker; to his brothers and sisters-in-law, Dean and Kathy Hicks and Carlos and Joyce Hicks; and to his other family and friends; and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ernest Ray Hicks.