SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 55

In Memory of Joe Limon Avila

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of business owner Joe Limon Avila, who died January 9, 2011, at the age of 81; and WHEREAS, Joe Avila was born in Austin April 14, 1929; he

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WHEREAS, He also believed strongly in giving back to the community, and he always remembered the neighborhood from which he came; he loved to make people laugh and delighted in playing jokes; and

WHEREAS, The way he lived his life and his devout faith played a vital role in the way he raised his daughters, whom he inspired to accept both the joys and hardships of life; he leaves a legacy of service and accomplishments that will be long remembered by all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband to his wife of 56 years, Pauline, and a loving father and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Joe Limon Avila and extend sincere condolences to his bereaved family; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joe Limon Avila.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 25, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate