## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 617

## In Memory of Ale H. Hooser

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Ale H. "Jim" Hooser, who died February 25, 2011, at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, Jim Hooser was born October 24, 1921; he grew up in Plainview, where he attended high school and Wayland Baptist College; he served the nation with honor and distinction during World War II as a member of the United States Army Air Corps; and

WHEREAS, During his military service, Mr. Hooser was stationed at Wichita Falls, where he met Mary Jo Stephens; they were married in October of 1945 and later returned to Plainview, and he earned bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Texas Tech University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hooser enjoyed a long and productive career in education, first as a teacher and principal and later as an education advocate; he joined the staff of the Texas State Teachers Association in 1958 and represented the organization through numerous sessions of the Texas Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hooser retired from the Texas State Teachers Association in 1979 but continued his service to the state as an aide to Lieutenant Governor Bob Bullock and State Senators John Traeger and John Montford; and

WHEREAS, Active in community affairs, Mr. Hooser was a leader in his Masonic lodge and Toastmasters Club and a deacon in his church; he was dedicated to serving as a volunteer for the AARP, where he organized travel ventures and taught defensive driving; and

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WHEREAS, He was a man of courage and integrity, and his impact on our state's educational system will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, 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 extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Ale H. Hooser: his wife, Jo; his son and daughter-in-law, Greg Hooser and Anne Brennan Hooser; his daughter and son-in-law, Pam and Joe Binder; and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; 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 Ale H. Hooser.

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## President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 23, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate