

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 108

**In Memory
of
Harvey Raymond Herbst**

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Harvey Raymond Herbst, who died May 17, 2013, at the age of 90; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Herbst was born on November 21, 1922, in Dallas; he graduated from Sunset High School and the University of Denver and went on to join the United States Army and serve under General Patton during World War II; he fought in the Battle of the Rhine and assisted in the liberation of the Ohrdruf concentration camp; and

WHEREAS, After the war, he earned a master's degree from Syracuse University, and later, a doctorate from The University of Texas; he married the love of his life, Dean Finley, who preceded him in death after a rewarding and fulfilling 56-year marriage; and

WHEREAS, Harvey had a highly successful lifetime career in media, which he started when he served as a radio announcer while still a teenager; he worked as a radio producer, teacher, and writer in Chicago and New York, and he was a standout professor for more than 20 years at The University of Texas at Austin, where he helped to develop radio and television and the School of Communication and retired as director of the Communication Center and general manager of KLRU-TV and KUT-FM; and

WHEREAS, In retirement, he and his wife traveled the world together, and he remained active as a volunteer with literacy programs and a number of charitable groups; he also directed the Getting Better All The Time Singers, a seniors' group, which was the perfect venue for his well-appreciated wit and musical prowess and is now in its 26th season; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, he enjoyed spending as much time as he could with his son and daughter and his four grandchildren and his great-granddaughter; he was a devout Christian and an active member of Westminster Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Herbst was a brilliant intellectual who was known for his engaging personality, his incredible zest for life, and his seemingly boundless talent; he was also a generous, kindhearted person who was beloved by many, and he will long be remembered with affection and appreciation by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Harvey Raymond Herbst; and, be it further

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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 Harvey Herbst.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 21, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate