RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The residents of Marshall lost one of their most
- 2 esteemed community leaders with the passing of Thomas L. Whaley on
- 3 February 7, 2012, at the age of 82; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Paul and Margaret Whaley, Tommy Whaley
- 5 was born in Waco on December 20, 1929; he attended Marshall High
- 6 School and was an active member of the Boy Scouts; he enrolled in
- 7 The University of Texas at Austin School of Business Administration
- 8 before joining the United States Naval Air Reserve; he graduated
- 9 from the University of North Texas in 1951; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Two years later, Mr. Whaley married Patricia Pope,
- 11 and over the course of nearly six decades together, their lives were
- 12 further enriched by the addition of three sons, Thomas, Benjamin,
- 13 and George; and
- 14 WHEREAS, A proud fourth-generation citizen of Marshall, Mr.
- 15 Whaley managed Logan and Whaley Co., an industrial hardware company
- 16 begun by his great-grandfather; he was an original member of the
- 17 Marshall Economic Development Board, and he was instrumental in
- 18 encouraging many firms to come to the city; he received numerous
- 19 accolades for his work, including the 1998 Citizen of the Year Award
- 20 from the Marshall Chamber of Commerce, the Road-Hand Award from the
- 21 Texas Department of Transportation, and the Volunteer Industrial
- 22 Developer of the Year award from the Texas Industrial Development
- 23 Council; in 2001, he was appointed to the Texas Department of
- 24 Economic Development Governing Board and he also served as a member

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- 1 of the Wiley College Board of Trustees; moreover, he was appointed
- 2 by Governor George W. Bush to the Texas State Technical College
- 3 Board of Trustees, and he remained an active member of the TSTC
- 4 family for many years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In addition to his involvement in the economic
- 6 development of Marshall, Mr. Whaley was a devoted Episcopalian
- 7 throughout his life; a valued member of Trinity Episcopal Church,
- 8 he supported Trinity Episcopal School; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his family, faith, and
- 10 community, Tommy Whaley made a meaningful difference in the lives
- 11 of his loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions
- 12 will be remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Thomas L. Whaley and
- 15 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 16 Patricia Pope Whaley; to his sons, Thomas L. Whaley and his wife,
- 17 Teresea, Benjamin Pope Whaley, and George Prendergast Whaley and
- 18 his wife, Annemarie; to his grandchildren, Heather Augustine and
- 19 her husband, Mitch, Starr Minatrea and her husband, Russell, Wesley
- 20 McDaniel and his wife, Chelsea, Chris McDaniel, and Cas Whaley and
- 21 his wife, Georgia; to his great-grandchildren, Jolie, Sawyer,
- 22 Brandon, Dylan, Ashleigh, and Lilly; to his brother, Paul "Pete"
- 23 Whaley; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
- 24 further
- 25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 26 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
- 27 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Thomas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 706 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 13, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House