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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the loved ones of
3 George Wilson Chandler of Baytown, who passed away on March 8, 2013,
4 at the age of 91; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Fernwood, Mississippi, on August 15, 1921,
6 to Fannie and Charles Wesley Chandler, George Chandler later moved
7 to Baytown, where he would graduate from Robert E. Lee High School
8 in 1939; after graduation, he went on to serve with the United
9 States Merchant Marine and then in the navy during World War II; and

10 WHEREAS, Sent to The University of Texas at Austin for
11 officer training, he earned a bachelor's degree and a law degree
12 there and became a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity; his
13 training also brought him to Harvard University, where he took
14 graduate business courses and became a member of the famed Hasty
15 Pudding Theatricals troupe; he returned to Baytown in 1949 to
16 practice law, and over the course of his legal career, he spent 17
17 years as city attorney and maintained a private practice until his
18 retirement in 1997; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Chandler was devoted to his wife, Freda, with
20 whom he shared 65 years of marriage, and he adored his five
21 children, Georgann, Catherine, Vivian, Steve, and Anita, and his
22 nine grandchildren; he shared a love of athletics with his children
23 and taught them how to surf, ski, and ice-skate when they were
24 young, and he also enjoyed jogging and cycling; this notable

1 gentleman was a dedicated civic leader as well; his charitable
2 activities included raising funds for the Baytown YMCA and serving
3 as its president, and together with his wife, he donated land to the
4 city to establish Chandler Arboretum Park; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Chandler enjoyed cheering on The University of
6 Texas Longhorns, and he was an animal lover who had several pets; a
7 man of many interests and talents, he trained to work as a
8 phlebotomist, and also he became a master gardener and master
9 naturalist; and

10 WHEREAS, Though it is impossible to gauge the full effect of a
11 man's life, some people leave their unmistakable mark on the world
12 as they move through it, and George Chandler's contributions will
13 long resonate in the lives of all who were privileged to know him;
14 now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
16 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of George Wilson
17 Chandler and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family:
18 to his wife, Freda Chandler; to his children, Georgann Schwamkrug,
19 Catherine Munding and her husband, Dan, Vivian Treat and her
20 husband, Mark, Steve Chandler and his wife, Patti, and Anita
21 Chandler; to his grandchildren, Victor and Alison Schwamkrug,
22 Samantha and Danny Munding, Casey Munding Barbles and her
23 husband, Ryan, Leigh and Hannah Treat, and Steven and Emily
24 Chandler; to his sister, Myrtle Walker; and to his other relatives
25 and friends; and, be it further

26 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
27 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of

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1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of George
2 Chandler.