

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Thomas G. Zipp of New Braunfels passed away on
2 January 22, 2013, at the age of 76, leaving his family and friends
3 with many treasured memories of time spent in his company; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on February 20, 1936, in New Braunfels to
5 Marvin and Edna Zipp, Tommy Zipp pursued his education at Texas A&M
6 University and was a member of the school's Aggie Band and former
7 student associations; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Zipp was a champion of agricultural education
9 and played a key role in establishing the agriculture department at
10 Canyon High School when it opened in 1959; he was also a founding
11 member of the Comal County Junior Livestock Show, and he
12 contributed in numerous ways to the Comal County Fair Association,
13 which he served as president, senior director, and livestock
14 superintendent over the course of his involvement; and

15 WHEREAS, A farmer and rancher himself, Mr. Zipp found further
16 success as a realtor; moreover, he was a member of the New Braunfels
17 Evening Lions Club and the Green Valley Water Board; and

18 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Zipp enjoyed the love
19 and support of his wife, Mary Jo Zipp, with whom he shared more than
20 half a century of marriage; together, they took great pride in their
21 daughters, Jill and Jan, and shared in the joy of welcoming three
22 grandchildren, Christopher, Shawn, and Patrick, into their family;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, Tommy Zipp lived a caring and purposeful life, and

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1 he will forever hold a special place in the hearts of those
2 fortunate enough to have known him; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Tommy Zipp and
5 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
6 Mary Jo Zipp; to his daughters, Jill Bennett and her husband, Gregg,
7 and Jan Pardee; to his grandchildren, Christopher and Shawn Bennett
8 and Patrick Pardee; to his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Herb
9 and Barbara Stratton; and to his other relatives and friends; and,
10 be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Tommy Zipp.

Miller of Comal

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1932 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 15, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House