By: White H.R. No. 2166

## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
- 2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends
- 3 of James Morgan McGraw of Jasper, who passed away on April 20, 2013,
- 4 at the age of 89; and
- 5 WHEREAS, "Slugger" McGraw was born in Newton in 1924 to
- 6 Joseph Wiley and Mae Hext McGraw; he served his country in the
- 7 United States Navy during World War II, stationed aboard the USS
- 8 Enterprise in the Pacific; this brave Texan lost his leg in the war
- 9 and was honored with the Purple Heart for his sacrifice; and
- 10 WHEREAS, After the war, Mr. McGraw earned a master's degree
- 11 from Stephen F. Austin State University and ran FFA programs in
- 12 Texas public schools for more than three and a half decades; he also
- 13 experienced the joy of becoming a parent, grandparent, and
- 14 great-grandparent; and
- WHEREAS, Cherished by many, Mr. McGraw will be forever
- 16 remembered with deep affection by all who were privileged to share
- 17 in his love and friendship; now, therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of James Morgan McGraw
- 20 and extend sincere sympathy to Melody Holton, Paula Moon, and Anna
- 21 Pipher; to his seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren;
- 22 and to all others who mourn his passing; and, be it further
- 23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 24 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 James
- 2 Morgan McGraw.