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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
- 2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends
- 3 of Dr. Henry Earl Kilgore, Jr., of Kerrville, who passed away on
- 4 February 14, 2013, at the age of 82; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A native Texan, Earl Kilgore was born in Kerrville
- 6 on November 13, 1930; he attended Tivy High School and the Schreiner
- 7 Institute, and he was a student at The University of Texas at Austin
- 8 when he interrupted his education to join the U.S. Navy and serve
- 9 his nation in the Korean War; he returned to UT to earn his
- 10 bachelor's degree and later graduated from The University of Texas
- 11 Southwestern Medical School; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Following his residency at Parkland Memorial
- 13 Hospital in Dallas, Dr. Kilgore established a general surgery
- 14 practice in Kerrville in 1968, which he operated for 25 years before
- 15 joining the staff of the Kerrville VA Medical Center; admired and
- 16 respected by his peers, he also served as chief of staff and chief
- 17 of surgery at Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital, supported the
- 18 Kerr-Bandera County Medical Society as secretary-treasurer and
- 19 president, and was a member of the Parkland Surgical Society, the
- 20 American Medical Association, and the Texas Medical Association;
- 21 and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Kilgore married the former Virginia Crawford in
- 23 1955, and over the years, their family grew to include 5 children
- 24 and 11 grandchildren; Dr. Kilgore was an attentive and caring

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- 1 father who delighted his youngsters with his sense of humor, taught
- 2 them how to fish and fly kites, and nurtured them through illness;
- 3 he was particularly fond of driving trips, and together with his
- 4 loved ones enjoyed many memorable beach vacations and other travel
- 5 adventures; his zest for life and his determination to succeed
- 6 instilled in his children an enthusiasm for new experiences and an
- 7 appreciation for the value of hard work; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Through everything, Dr. Kilgore found peace and
- 9 shared it with his loved ones; while it is impossible to gauge the
- 10 full effect of a man's life, Earl Kilgore left an unmistakable mark
- 11 on the world as he moved through it, and his contributions to his
- 12 family and to his profession will long resonate in the lives of all
- 13 those who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Henry Earl
- 16 Kilgore, Jr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his
- 17 family: to his wife, Virginia Kilgore; to his children, Stan
- 18 Kilgore and his wife, Kathy, Karen Freeman and her husband, Howard,
- 19 Sandra Adkins and her husband, Brian, Terri Hay and her husband,
- 20 Daryl, and Lynette Kilgore; to his grandchildren, William and
- 21 Kristen Kilgore, Carter, Bennett, and Teak Freeman, Tia, Preston,
- 22 and Trey Adkins, and Martin, Spencer, and Stuart Hay; and to his
- 23 other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 25 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 26 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Henry
- 27 Earl Kilgore, Jr.