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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 family and friends
3 of Robert "Doyle" Taylor of Winnsboro, who passed away on September
4 26, 2014, at the age of 95; and

5 WHEREAS, Doyle Taylor was born to Robert Taylor and Maude
6 Dodgen on June 25, 1919, in the Pleasant Grove community near
7 Winnsboro; he graduated from Winnsboro High School and later earned
8 an associate's degree from East Texas State University; answering
9 his nation's call to duty, he served as a member of the U.S. Navy
10 during World War II; and

11 WHEREAS, After his military service, Mr. Taylor returned to
12 Winnsboro, where he owned and operated the Taylor Propane Company
13 and Taylor True Value Hardware for many years; he retired in 1977
14 and sold both businesses, but he continued to manage his
15 investments and other business interests until his final days; and

16 WHEREAS, This respected businessman also made significant
17 contributions to his community, serving as a founding member of the
18 Winnsboro Lions Club and as a valued supporter of Winnsboro High
19 School athletics and FFA; a man of deep faith, Mr. Taylor was a
20 deacon and active congregant at First Baptist Church as well as a
21 member of the Mainland Advisory Council of Hawaii Baptist Academy;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor exchanged the vows of matrimony with his
24 wife, Bobbie, on August 29, 1940, and the couple enjoyed 72

1 rewarding years together until her passing; he delighted in the
2 company of his children, Marcus and Kayron, and he later knew the
3 joy of welcoming 6 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and a
4 great-great-grandson into his cherished family; and

5 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, his faith, and his community,
6 Doyle Taylor was an optimistic and outgoing man who delighted in the
7 company of others, and the generosity with which he lived his life
8 will forever inspire all who had the good fortune to know him; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Robert "Doyle" Taylor
12 and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his
13 children, Marcus Taylor and his wife, Pamela, and Kayron Taylor; to
14 his grandchildren, Rob Taylor and his wife, Tiffiny, Chris Irby,
15 Sunny Polito and her husband, Nick, Amber Taylor, Zane Taylor and
16 his wife, Kim, and Heather Wessels and her husband, Johan; to his
17 great-grandchildren, Taylor Blair and his wife, Ashley,
18 Christopher, Luke, and Campbell Polito, Faith Flaherty, Noah, Zoe,
19 and Maggie Taylor, Grace Wessels, and Tyler and Kodie Pratt; to his
20 great-great-grandson, Ayden Blair; and to his other relatives and
21 many friends; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Robert
25 "Doyle" Taylor.