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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
- 2 memories of longtime Buda resident Gerald L. Bollinger, who died
- 3 on January 1, 2015, at the age of 84; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Gerald Bollinger was born in Chester, Illinois, on
- 5 May 6, 1930, to Floyd and Marie Bollinger; answering his nation's
- 6 call to duty, he served with the U.S. Air Force during the Korean
- 7 War, earning two Bronze Stars and other decorations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, After completing his service, Mr. Bollinger was a
- 9 civil servant for the federal government; he lived in Salinas,
- 10 California, for 20 years until his retirement in 1986, when he moved
- 11 to Buda, Texas, where he enjoyed the friendship of many before
- 12 returning to Salinas in 2012; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Bollinger was a volunteer with the Civil Air
- 14 Patrol for more than three decades, and he rose to the rank of
- 15 lieutenant colonel; he led and took part in many search and rescue
- 16 missions, and he was responsible for finding nine individuals and
- 17 saving the lives of five; and
- WHEREAS, Gerald Bollinger lived a rich and purposeful life,
- 19 and he leaves behind a record of patriotism and service to others
- 20 that will continue to inspire all those who knew and loved him; now,
- 21 therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Gerald L. Bollinger
- 24 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his

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- 1 life partner, Donna E. Jaranilla; to his daughters, June
- 2 M. Stanfield and Joyce L. Ponton; to his son, Jay P. Bollinger; to
- 3 his brothers, Lyle Bollinger and Jean Bollinger; to his nine
- 4 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, four nephews, and two
- 5 nieces; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gerald
- 9 L. Bollinger.