SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 110

In Memory of George Garver

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Georgetown in mourning the loss of George Garver, who died July 27, 2017, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, George Garver was an exemplary citizen whose long and distinguished career in public service had a profound impact on the lives of countless people; and

WHEREAS, A native of Colorado, Mr. Garver grew up in Kansas and attended schools in Illinois and Iowa before earning a doctorate in education from Michigan State University; he served as superintendent of schools in Houston for 25 years, and he and his wife moved to the new community of Sun City in 1997 for his retirement; and

WHEREAS, That retirement was short-lived, as he soon began volunteering with a wide range of civic organizations; he served for a time as interim superintendent of schools and was active on a committee and board of directors for Sun City; he was elected mayor of Georgetown in 2008, and he was reelected in 2011 with 71 percent of the vote; and

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, the city initiated a number of important projects, including the Southwest Bypass, Garey Park, the Williams Drive project, and the Summit at Rivery; throughout his time in office, he was known for his collaborative spirit and his readiness to serve as a mentor to others; and

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WHEREAS, He and his beloved wife of 63 years, Alice, were blessed with two children, Stephen and Janice, who were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom and vision, his generous spirit, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who had the privilege of sharing in his life; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband and father, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of George Garver; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of George Garver.

Schwertner

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 8, 2017, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate