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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The City of Nacogdoches lost an esteemed leader with
- 2 the death of former mayor A. L. Mangham on November 22, 2016, at the
- 3 age of 93; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Born in Nacogdoches County to Alonzo Livingston
- 5 Mangham Sr. and Gladys Skeeters Mangham on December 17, 1922, A. L.
- 6 Mangham enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1939; two years later, he was
- 7 stationed at the Boston Navy Yard when he heard the news of the
- 8 attack on Pearl Harbor, and he went on to serve in the 4th Marine
- 9 Division as a navy corpsman, tending to his wounded comrades; he
- 10 took part in two combat landings in the South Pacific, earning a
- 11 Silver Star and Purple Heart; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Mangham continued to serve in the military
- 13 following the war, and he retired after 24 years; in the 1960s, he
- 14 returned to Nacogdoches and began a career in banking that
- 15 eventually led to his becoming CEO and president of Fredonia State
- 16 Bank; and
- WHEREAS, For 13 years in the 1970s and early 1980s,
- 18 Mr. Mangham served as mayor of Nacogdoches, and he played a crucial
- 19 role in supporting the city's economic development and in
- 20 maintaining a business-friendly environment; he provided crucial
- 21 assistance in the reopening of the Hotel Fredonia and in the
- 22 development of Lake Nacogdoches, and he was a founding board member
- 23 of Nacogdoches Medical Center; in recognition of his leadership,
- 24 the A. L. Mangham Jr. Regional Airport was named in his honor; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Dedicated to his country and his community, A. L.
- 2 Mangham lived his life with integrity and with an unwavering
- 3 commitment to serving his fellow citizens, and he leaves behind a
- 4 legacy of good works that will forever inspire all who had the good
- 5 fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of A. L. Mangham and
- 8 extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 9 Nancy Mangham; to his children, Craig Mangham, Cheri McGuire and
- 10 her husband, Joe, and Christi Mangham; to his stepchildren, Arthur
- 11 Speck Jr. and his wife, Elizabeth, and Virginia Amason and her
- 12 husband, Bert; to his grandsons, Christopher and Aaron; to his
- 13 stepgrandchildren, Cathryn, Arthur, Emily, Edith, and Gilbert; to
- 14 his nephew, Charles; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be
- 15 it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of A. L.
- 19 Mangham.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 297 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 23, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House