

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Edmon
2 Grant Hall, who passed away on May 12, 2017, at the age of 91; and

3 WHEREAS, "Sandy" Hall was born in Lafayette, Indiana, on
4 January 6, 1926, to Harry Lee and Margaret Shafer Hall; he moved
5 with his family to Texas in 1932, settling in Edinburg, and
6 developed a love of nature and the outdoors, alongside his
7 brothers, Richard and Harry; and

8 WHEREAS, Coming of age during World War II, Mr. Hall enlisted
9 in the United States Navy when he was 17 and went on to see combat
10 while stationed aboard the USS *Aaron Ward*; after being honorably
11 discharged at age 20, he returned to Texas and enrolled at The
12 University of Texas at Austin, where he met and fell in love with
13 Helen Close; the pair exchanged wedding vows on June 4, 1949; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Hall completed his studies at the UT School of
15 Law and received his license to practice in 1951; he and his wife
16 then moved to Edinburg, and Mr. Hall began what would become a long
17 and distinguished legal career, which included work in both the
18 private sector and as the Hidalgo County district attorney; before
19 retiring, he maintained a solo practice in Port Isabel from 2000 to
20 2015, and he served as chair of the Junior Bar of Texas as well as
21 president of the Hidalgo County Bar Association; he was a mentor to
22 many younger attorneys, and he received the Professionalism Award
23 from the Cameron County Bar Association in 2007; and

24 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Mr. Hall took great pride in

1 his children, Grant, Kim, Geoff, and Stephanie, and he was later
2 blessed with 12 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren; he
3 delighted in sharing stories with his loved ones and taking them on
4 adventurous outings, which included fishing, exploring the beach,
5 and touring Mexico; he was also an active congregant at Trinity
6 Episcopal Church and volunteered as a leader in two Edinburg Boy
7 Scout troops; and

8 WHEREAS, Sandy Hall lived a life that was rich in personal and
9 professional achievements, and he will forever be a source of
10 inspiration to those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Edmon Grant "Sandy"
13 Hall and extend sincere sympathy to his relatives and friends; and,
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sandy Hall.

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H.R. No. 2433

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2433 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 28, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House