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## RESOLUTION

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

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- 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
- 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.