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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
2 memories of Alvin Clement Michalik of Rhineland, who died on March
3 12, 2017, at the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, "Mitch" Michalik was born in Rhineland on November
5 1, 1928, and graduated from his hometown high school in 1947; in
6 January 1951, he was joined in matrimony to Mary Magdalen Homer, and
7 "Mag and Mitch" shared more than half a century of happiness before
8 her passing in 2007; and

9 WHEREAS, Two weeks after his wedding, Mr. Michalik entered
10 the U.S. Army; during his active duty in Korea, he took part in the
11 battle for the Hae-an-myon Valley, also known as the Punchbowl,
12 where he commanded two 50mm Quad Track gunnery tracks not far from
13 the 38th Parallel and endured nightly mortar attacks; and

14 WHEREAS, Returning to civilian life in 1953, Mr. Michalik and
15 his wife settled in Rhineland, where he made his living as a paint
16 contractor; he was the proud father of four children, Donna, Donny,
17 David, and Doug, and later in life he was blessed with three
18 grandchildren, Jordan, Joey, and Maddie; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Michalik was active in St. Joseph's Parish,
20 where he enjoyed singing in the choir; he was also a lifelong member
21 of the Knights of Columbus, and he often helped to book the bands
22 for the community's Rhineland Dances; he played in an ensemble
23 himself, the Lone Star Band, and he took special delight in
24 jitterbugging with his wife; and

1 WHEREAS, A loving husband, a devoted father and grandfather,
2 and a generous and lively friend, Mitch Michalik lived a rich and
3 purposeful life, and he leaves behind a legacy that will continue to
4 inspire all those who knew and loved him; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Alvin Clement
7 Michalik and extend heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn his
8 passing; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alvin
12 Michalik.