## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 383

## In Memory of Edward Melvin Trapp

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Rancho Viejo in paying tribute to the life of Edward Melvin "Ted" Trapp, who died March 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ted Trapp was born to Robert and Noreen Trapp in Longview, Washington; as a child he lived in Illinois, Oklahoma, and Rhode Island, and his family eventually settled in Kansas City, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Ted served with distinction in the United States Navy during World War II; he crossed the Pacific Ocean as a quartermaster on the Third Fleet under W. F. Halsey, and he was aboard one of the first ships to enter Tokyo Bay in anticipation of the Japanese surrender; and

WHEREAS, After the war, Ted returned to Kansas City and married the love of his life, Margaret Urech Trapp, and they shared 69 years together; they were blessed with one son, Timothy, and with three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Ted enjoyed a successful career as a businessman; for many years he owned T.M.T., Incorporated, a construction company that completed work on major shopping centers, McDonald's restaurants, and public works and industrial sites throughout Kansas City and the Midwest; he and Margaret later moved to the Lower Rio Grande Valley, and they owned and operated the Rancho Viejo Resort and Country Club for 32 years; and

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WHEREAS, A man of wisdom, strength, and generosity, Ted Trapp was a highly respected member of the community, and he left behind memories that will long be cherished by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Edward Melvin Trapp; 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 Ted Trapp.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate