

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 571

**In Memory
of
Marcus Ledbetter Yancey Jr.**

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Marcus Ledbetter Yancey Jr., who died November 16, 2018, at the age of 93; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Yancey was born on June 28, 1925, in Austin; he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at the onset of World War II and was assigned to the Military Intelligence and Engineering School, where he earned a degree in civil engineering from Georgia Tech University; and

WHEREAS, After serving as a staff intelligence officer in China, he returned to Austin and received a mechanical engineering degree from The University of Texas, where he was also a standout athlete on the baseball and swimming teams; a Southwest Conference champion, he was inducted into the University of Texas Swimming Hall of Fame in 1995; and

WHEREAS, He worked in the private sector for a time before joining the Texas Highway Department, where he served with distinction for more than 35 years; he held a number of leadership positions in the department and served as assistant engineer-director and deputy executive director; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yancey was active in a wide range of public service organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America, the President's Council on Physical Fitness, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; he was a founder and coach of the Austin Aquatic Club and was twice named Coach of the Year by the American Swimming Coaches Association; and

WHEREAS, He and his beloved wife of 65 years, the late Alice Jean Yancey, were blessed with four children, Marc, Debbie, Janis, and Tenley; his five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

WHEREAS, A man of strength, integrity, and generosity, he gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Marcus Ledbetter Yancey Jr.; 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 Marcus Ledbetter Yancey Jr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate