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H.R. No. 2045

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived may help to comfort
2 those saddened by the passing of Willie E. Sneed of Poteet on
3 October 13, 2020, at the age of 98; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Ernest and Elizabeth Sneed, Bill Sneed
5 was born in Pearsall on November 6, 1921; he grew up with a younger
6 brother and two older sisters, and he learned about responsibility
7 and the value of hard work at an early age; in 1940, he graduated
8 from Pearsall High School, where he was a standout tennis and
9 basketball player; and

10 WHEREAS, As a young man, Mr. Sneed worked for Humble Oil; an
11 esteemed member of the Greatest Generation, he joined the U.S.
12 Marine Corps during World War II, and he went on to serve with the
13 U.S. Air Force as a line chief, flight mechanic, and flight engineer
14 during the Korean and Vietnam Wars; he retired from the air force in
15 1966 at the rank of senior master sergeant, after 22 years of
16 military service; and

17 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Sneed enjoyed the love and
18 support of his wife, Rose, with whom he shared a rewarding marriage
19 that spanned more than seven decades; he was the devoted father of
20 two children, Beverly and William, and he took great pride in his
21 two grandchildren and his great-grandson; a longtime resident of
22 Poteet, he was a founding member of VFW Post No. 6970 and a
23 volunteer with the Poteet Strawberry Festival; in his leisure time,
24 he delighted in coastal fishing at Corpus Christi and playing

1 dominos and poker; and

2 WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his family, his community, and
3 his country, Bill Sneed earned the lasting respect and admiration
4 of all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Willie E. Sneed and
7 extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
8 Rose Sneed; to his daughter, Beverly McIntosh, and her husband,
9 Jim; to his son, William "Bill" Sneed, and his wife, Carolyn; to his
10 granddaughter, Reta Dominguez, and her husband, Matt; to his
11 grandson, Cody Sneed; to his great-grandson, Jaxson Dominguez; and
12 to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Bill Sneed.