SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 90

In Memory of John Augustus Romani

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of John Augustus Romani, who died December 14, 2019, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, John Romani was born on November 23, 1938, in Evergreen Park, Illinois; he moved with his family to Laredo as a young boy and began a lifelong spiritual journey at Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church; he graduated from Martin High School in 1958; and

WHEREAS, He enjoyed a long and successful career in retail and retail management at a variety store; he met Mary Beatrice Smith while working at the store, and they married on June 20, 1965; they enjoyed a fruitful and happy marriage before her passing in 1994, and they were blessed with one child, Michelle Marie Romani, who enriched their lives immeasurably; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Romani served extensively with the Catholic Youth Organization under the Diocese of Corpus Christi, and Mr. Romani was recognized as Man of the Year for organizing the ministry's first youth basketball conference; and

WHEREAS, He served the congregation at Saint Peter the Apostle Catholic Church as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and he served as a Grand Knight, district deputy, and field agent as a member of the Knights of Columbus; he helped to connect parishes by establishing the Running of the Silver Rose, and one of his proudest achievements was helping to found the

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Monsignor George Gloeckner Memorial Assembly of the Fourth Degree at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, A man of strength, wisdom, and deep spiritual faith, John Romani was beloved by many, and he leaves 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, 87th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of John Augustus Romani; 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 John Augustus Romani.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 23, 2021, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate