SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 53

In Memory of Gerard Evenwel

WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Gerard Johan Evenwel Jr. of Mount Pleasant were deeply saddened by his passing on September 4, 2021, at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, The son of Gerard Johan Evenwel Sr. and Sara Leaman Evenwel, Gerry Evenwel was born on February 23, 1945, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania; he received most of his formal schooling at the International School of Brussels and went on to graduate from Institut Montana, a mountaintop boarding school outside Zug, Switzerland, becoming fluent in several languages; he then returned to Lancaster to attend Franklin & Marshall College and graduated in 1967; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evenwel enjoyed a rewarding career in human resources, working for Montgomery Ward, Caterpillar, and Pilgrim's Pride; he immersed himself in civic life by joining several community organizations and by attending local board and council meetings, and he was a member of First Baptist Church of Mount Pleasant; in his free time, he enjoyed playing bridge and had recently joined the Three Oaks Canasta Club; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Evenwel benefited from the love and support of his wife, Sue, with whom he shared a rewarding 55-year marriage; he took great pride in his two children, Gerard Evenwel III and the late Stephanie Ann Daujatas, and over the years, he had the pleasure of welcoming six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter into the family; and

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WHEREAS, Although Gerry Evenwel is deeply missed, those who held him dear will forever remember the warmth and kindness he brought into their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Gerard Johan Evenwel Jr. and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Sue Evenwel; to his brother, John Arie Evenwel, and his wife, Patricia; to his son, Gerard J. Evenwel III, and his wife, Kay; to his grandsons, Gerard J. Evenwel IV and his wife, Jordan, and Zachary, Nicholas, and John Evenwel; to his granddaughters, Deanna and Danielle Daujatas; to his great-granddaughter, Gwyneth Mae Evenwel; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gerry Evenwel.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on October 26, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate