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S.R. No. 66

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost an esteemed civil engineer
2 with the passing of Marquis Gideon Goode Jr. of Dallas on June 18,
3 2023, at the age of 101; and

4 WHEREAS, Mark Goode was born in Quinlan on August 12, 1921,
5 and he grew up in Dallas; while a student at Texas A&M University
6 and a member of the Corps of Cadets, he was commissioned in the U.S.
7 Army; following his service in World War II, he returned to Texas
8 A&M to complete his civil engineering degree; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1947, Mr. Goode began a four-decade career with
10 the Texas State Department of Highways and Public Transportation,
11 serving as a civil engineer and ultimately as agency director
12 before his retirement in 1986; he demonstrated visionary leadership
13 throughout his tenure, overseeing major growth in road construction
14 and the development of the Interstate Highway System; moreover, he
15 helped create employment opportunities for women and minorities;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Goode further contributed to his profession as
18 president of the Western Association of State Highway and
19 Transportation Officials and through his active involvement with
20 the American Association of State Highway and Transportation
21 Officials and the Transportation Research Board; in recognition of
22 his many accomplishments, he was inducted into the Texas
23 Transportation Hall of Honor and named a recipient of AASHTO's
24 highest accolade, the MacDonald Memorial Award; and

1 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Goode enjoyed the love and
2 support of his wife of 79 years, Lucille McDermott Goode, who
3 preceded him in death in 2021; they were the devoted parents of two
4 children, Scott and Mark, and they welcomed a host of grandchildren
5 and great-grandchildren into their family; and

6 WHEREAS, While the passing of Mark Goode brings great sadness
7 to his loved ones, he leaves behind a legacy that will long be
8 treasured by all those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd
10 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Marquis Gideon
11 Goode Jr. and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his
12 family: to his son, Scott Goode, and his wife, Wanda; to his
13 daughter-in-law, Dianne Goode; to his grandchildren, Mark and Alex
14 Goode, Christopher and Dianne Irwin, Hunter Michael Carl Goode, and
15 Mac, Meg, Kate, and Charles and Allison Goode; to his
16 great-grandchildren, Mark and Micah Drew Goode, and Wesley, Connor,
17 and Shepherd Irwin; to his niece, Linda Goode; and to his other
18 relatives and friends; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
21 day, it do so in memory of Mark Goode.