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H.C.R. No. 5

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to  
2 a close with the passing of Richard Augustus Hewitt of San Antonio  
3 on October 30, 2024, at the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Herman and Elma Hewitt, Richard Hewitt  
5 was born in Effingham, South Carolina, on December 11, 1935, and he  
6 grew up with the companionship of a brother, James; during his  
7 youth, he was active in Future Farmers of America; and

8 WHEREAS, Answering his nation's call to duty, Mr. Hewitt  
9 served in the U.S. Air Force for two decades, and he completed  
10 numerous assignments across the United States and around the globe;  
11 he took on a number of different roles over the years, including  
12 Morse code operator, radio operator, and computer technician, and  
13 he eventually retired at the rank of technical sergeant; he went on  
14 to enjoy a rewarding career with the Burroughs Corporation; and

15 WHEREAS, A dedicated Mason for 57 years, Mr. Hewitt was  
16 involved in Kelly Lodge No. 1131, where he served as senior  
17 steward, chaplain, and junior deacon; among his many achievements,  
18 he received the 50 Year Service Award from the lodge on September 1,  
19 2016; in addition, he gave generously of his time to various civic  
20 organizations, including the graduation committee and band parent  
21 group at John Marshall High School; he also chartered the San  
22 Antonio chapter of Special Military Active Recreational Travelers,  
23 and he further distinguished himself as the club's regional  
24 director for New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas; and

1           WHEREAS, Mr. Hewitt and his first wife, the former Dorothy  
2 Broadway, shared a number of happy years together before her  
3 passing; fortunate enough to find love again, he enjoyed a  
4 fulfilling marriage with the former Patsy Brown; he took great  
5 pride in his five children, Dana, Patti, Rhonda Faye, Karen, and  
6 Rick, and he had the pleasure of welcoming into his family six  
7 grandchildren, Jeremy, Brian, John, Joy, Robin, and Reagan, six  
8 great-grandchildren, Toby, Jake, Taegan, Bridget, Cohen Lee, and  
9 Emerson Grace, and a great-great-grandchild, Kolt; and

10           WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his family, his community, and  
11 his country, Richard Hewitt earned the lasting respect and  
12 admiration of all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore,  
13 be it

14           RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
15 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Richard  
16 Augustus Hewitt and extend heartfelt sympathy to his family and  
17 friends; and, be it further

18           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
20 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
21 Richard Hewitt.