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S.R. No. 21

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Kilgore lost an admired civic leader
2 with the passing of Lloyd Blaine Bolding on December 31, 2024, at
3 the age of 90; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Bland and Iva Bolding, Lloyd Bolding was
5 born in Wewoka, Oklahoma, on August 16, 1934; he attended the
6 University of Oklahoma, and after serving his country in the
7 U.S. Army, he returned to his studies and completed his bachelor's
8 degree in petroleum engineering; he subsequently began his career
9 in Kilgore with Dowell Inc. and Pure Oil Company; in 1966, he
10 established his own oil-well stimulation business, Acid
11 Engineering, Inc., which expanded rapidly across Texas, Louisiana,
12 and New Mexico, and he went on to develop a number of related
13 companies; he was known in the industry for his kindness and
14 mentorship, as well as his work ethic, expertise, and innovative
15 spirit; among other accolades, he garnered the Distinguished
16 Service Award from the Texas Society of Petroleum Engineers and the
17 Pioneer Award from the East Texas Society of Petroleum Engineers;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Bolding gave generously of his time in numerous
20 leadership roles; he served as president of the Kilgore Development
21 Board, and he was a member of the boards of the Kilgore Independent
22 School District, East Texas Baptist University, Allied Citizens
23 Bank, and Regions Bank; he further distinguished himself through
24 his work on the Gregg County Airport Economic Development Board and

1 East Texas Treatment Center Board, and he was active in the Kilgore
2 Historical Preservation Foundation, which honored him with its
3 Derrick Award; he was also recognized as 2008 Kilgore Man of the
4 Year and received the Landmarks of Longview Preservation Award; a
5 valued congregant of First Baptist Church Kilgore, he served on the
6 financial, personnel, and education building committees; and

7 WHEREAS, Devoted to his loved ones, Mr. Bolding shared a
8 fulfilling relationship of more than 65 years with his wife,
9 Evelyn; he was the proud father of two sons, Bo and Jeff, and he
10 found great joy in supporting his children and grandchildren in all
11 their activities; and

12 WHEREAS, Lloyd Bolding led a rich and purposeful life, and
13 those he left behind will forever treasure their memories of his
14 wisdom, generosity, and tremendous dedication to his family and his
15 community; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st
17 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Lloyd Blaine
18 Bolding and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
19 his wife, Evelyn Bolding; to his sons, Bo Bolding and his wife,
20 Beth, and Jeff Bolding and his wife, Tami; to his seven
21 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and to his other
22 relatives and friends; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
25 day, it do so in memory of Lloyd Bolding.