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H.R. No. 265

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A life filled with joy and purpose drew to a close  
2 with the passing of William Perry Cloud of Temple on February 1,  
3 2025, at the age of 95; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of T. J. and Rebe Ogden Cloud, Bill Cloud was  
5 born in Temple on November 19, 1929, and he grew up with a brother,  
6 Thomas; he graduated from Temple High School and continued his  
7 education at The University of Texas at Austin; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1954, Mr. Cloud joined his father's business,  
9 Temple Housing Corporation; in 1961, he became president of the  
10 operation, which was renamed Cloud Construction Company, and he  
11 served in that capacity until 1999; widely respected, he  
12 distinguished himself during his long and rewarding tenure with the  
13 business, and he played an instrumental role in constructing  
14 landmark buildings in Temple and Central Texas; highly engaged in  
15 his community, he was a member of the Temple City Commission and  
16 president of the Temple Chamber of Commerce, the Temple Industrial  
17 Foundation, the Bell County Junior Fair and Livestock Show, and the  
18 Central Texas Cutting Horse Association, among other groups;  
19 moreover, he was a proud veteran, and he served as president of the  
20 Central-Texas Fort Hood Chapter of the Association of the United  
21 States Army and was on the Commanding General's Civilian Advisory  
22 Committee at Fort Hood; and

23 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Cloud enjoyed the love and  
24 support of his wife, the former Betty Jean Lengefeld, with whom he

1 shared 66 happy years of marriage before her death in 2017;  
2 together, they raised three children, Renee, Susan, and Perry, and  
3 their family later grew to include five grandchildren and six  
4 great-grandchildren; and

5 WHEREAS, While his loss is difficult to bear, Bill Cloud  
6 leaves behind numerous loved ones whose lives are far richer for  
7 having known him, and he will always hold a treasured place in their  
8 hearts; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of William Perry Cloud  
11 and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his family: to  
12 his children, Renee Fuller, Susan Bolton and her husband, Mancel,  
13 and Perry Cloud and his wife, Laura; to his grandchildren, Mark  
14 Fuller, Katie Moncivais, Kasey Welch, Will Bolton, and Thomas  
15 Cloud; to his great-grandchildren, Max Moncivais, Amelie  
16 Moncivais, Elizabeth Welch, Cooper Welch, Emma Fuller, and  
17 Charlotte Cloud; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it  
18 further

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