

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The life of a distinguished legal scholar and  
2 educator drew to a close with the passing of Angus McSwain, dean  
3 emeritus of Baylor Law School, who passed away on May 29, 2011; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in 1923, Mr. McSwain graduated from Stephen F.  
5 Austin High School in Bryan; he enrolled at Texas A&M University but  
6 interrupted his studies to serve in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
7 during World War II; following the war, he completed his civil  
8 engineering degree at A&M in 1947 and graduated cum laude two years  
9 later with his bachelor of laws degree from Baylor, where he was  
10 first in his class; he went on to receive a master of laws degree  
11 from the University of Michigan; and

12           WHEREAS, Mr. McSwain became a professor at Baylor Law School  
13 in 1949; he was appointed dean in 1965 and guided the institution  
14 for the next 19 years; during his tenure, he maintained the high  
15 academic standards that are the hallmark of Baylor Law School and  
16 helped to bring in a number of outstanding faculty members; and

17           WHEREAS, After returning to teaching in 1984, Dean McSwain  
18 became the Governor Bill and Vara Faye Daniel Chair of Property Law,  
19 and he received the Master Teacher designation, Baylor's highest  
20 teaching honor, in 1990; his official retirement came four years  
21 later, but this remarkable professor continued to conduct classes  
22 until 2008, when he marked his 59th year with the law school; and

23           WHEREAS, A highly respected figure in the Texas legal  
24 community, he served as both secretary and chair of the Family Law

1 Section of the Texas Bar Association and was the author of numerous  
2 articles for the *Texas Bar Journal* as well as textbooks and  
3 casebooks; in all of his endeavors, he enjoyed the love and support  
4 of his wife, Betty Ann, who preceded him in death, and his son,  
5 Andy, who followed in his father's footsteps as a Baylor Law  
6 graduate; and

7 WHEREAS, Angus McSwain influenced generations of Baylor Law  
8 School students with his unwavering commitment to excellence, and  
9 his legacy will continue to resonate for years to come; now,  
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas  
12 hereby pay tribute to the life of Dean Emeritus Angus McSwain and  
13 extend deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his son,  
14 Andy McSwain, and his wife, Chris; to his grandson, Stewart  
15 McSwain; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
18 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
19 Dean Angus McSwain.

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David Newkumst  
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I certify that H.C.R. No. 180 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 30, 2011.

Robert Haney  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 180 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on May 30, 2011.

Datsy Galt  
Secretary of the Senate

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Date

Rick Peery  
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