## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A full and productive life drew to a close with the passing of Joseph Patrick Cassidy of Panhandle on May 23, 2011, at the age of 81; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Pat and Mildred Cassidy, Joe Cassidy was 5 born in Napavine, Washington, on February 28, 1930; he graduated as valedictorian of his high school class and served his country in the 6 7 United States Air Force; he married Ann Margaret Cassidy on September 17, 1955, and worked full-time to support his family 8 while earning his bachelor's degree in physics at West Texas State 9 10 University; the proud father of three children, Susan, John, and Jay, he eventually knew the joy of welcoming six grandchildren into 11 12 his family; after the death of Ann Cassidy, he was fortunate enough to find love a second time with Lei Shuang Cassidy; and 13

WHEREAS, In his professional life, Mr. Cassidy was employed for 34 years as a scientist at the Pantex Plant, the nation's only nuclear weapons assembly and disassembly facility, and he became head of the testing and x-ray departments and chemistry lab; in addition, he owned and operated a farm and several businesses, including Cassidy Rentals and Cassidy Insulation, and he and his sons were co-owners of a self-storage company, TriCas, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cassidy served as president of the PTA, and he taught Sunday school at the First United Methodist Church of Panhandle for more than 20 years; with the help of his children, he built both the family home and a lake house at the Greenbelt

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- 1 Reservoir near Clarendon; he enjoyed reading, history, and travel,
- 2 and he had an appreciation for classic cars, such as his black 1941
- 3 Cadillac; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Although Joe Cassidy will be deeply missed,
- 5 cherished memories of time spent in his company will long endure in
- 6 the hearts of his loved ones; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas,
- 8 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Joseph Patrick
- 9 Cassidy and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
- 10 family: to his wife, Lei Shuang Cassidy; to his sons, John Cassidy
- 11 and Jay Cassidy and his wife, Alison; to his grandchildren, Cassie
- 12 Daniel and Rachel, Andrew, Ryan, Hunter, and Kaitlyn Cassidy; to
- 13 his nephew, Mike Cassidy; and to his other relatives and friends;
- 14 and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
- 18 Joseph Patrick Cassidy.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 24 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on June 28, 2011.

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