

R E S O L U T I O N

1        WHEREAS, Friends and family were greatly saddened by the loss  
2 of Hayes H. Bolitho of Holly Lake Ranch, who passed away on April  
3 21, 2009, at the age of 91; and

4        WHEREAS, Mr. Bolitho was born on December 22, 1917, to Thomas  
5 and Edna Bolitho in Butte, Montana; he answered his nation's call to  
6 duty with service in the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II and  
7 fought in the Philippines until his capture by the Japanese; he  
8 survived two years as a prisoner of war before escaping from a  
9 torpedoed transport ship and taking refuge with Philippine  
10 guerrillas; after returning to the United States, he was presented  
11 with the Purple Heart by Army Chief of Staff George C. Marshall; and

12        WHEREAS, After the war, Mr. Bolitho worked for 32 years in  
13 sales and marketing for General Mills, and as he took on new  
14 responsibilities in the company, he and his family lived in several  
15 different cities around the country; he retired in 1981 and settled  
16 in East Texas, where he enjoyed playing golf and reading; and

17        WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Bolitho enjoyed the love  
18 and support of his wife, Irene, with whom he shared 63 rewarding  
19 years of marriage; the couple were the parents of four daughters,  
20 Judy Herron, Joan Osborne, Janie Bolitho, and Jennifer Wilhelm,  
21 who preceded her father in death; with the passing years, the family  
22 grew to include six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren;  
23 and

24        WHEREAS, Hayes Bolitho possessed the courage and initiative

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1 that defined the finest members of his generation, and his loved  
2 ones will forever cherish his achievements and their many fond  
3 memories of the happy times they spent in his company; now,  
4 therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Hayes H. Bolitho and  
7 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,  
8 Irene Bolitho; to his children, Judy Herron and her husband, Phil,  
9 Joan Osborne, and Janie Bolitho; to his grandchildren, Brian  
10 Osborne and his wife, Karen, Tonya Delborne and her husband, Jason,  
11 Christopher Herron, Scott Herron and his wife, Lynne, and Corbin  
12 and Trent Wilhelmi; to his great-grandchildren; and to his other  
13 relatives and friends; and, be it further

14           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Hayes  
17 Bolitho.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2481 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 28, 2009.

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Chief Clerk of the House