

***MEMORIAL RESOLUTION
OF
THE ROTARY CLUB OF GALVESTON
IN REGULAR SESSION AT
GALVESTON, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 28, 2012***

HONORING ITS BELOVED FORMER MEMBER

***WILLIAM EUGENE "BILL" LEOPOLD
1924-2012***

WHEREAS, WILLIAM EUGENE LEOPOLD known to us as **BILL**, departed this life in on November 21, 2012 at the age of 87.

WE, THE ROTARY CLUB OF GALVESTON, DO HEREBY RESOLVE, THAT:

Our Club mourns the loss of **BILL LEOPOLD**, a highly respected and valued member of our Club.

Bill was born on December 31, 1924 in Houston, Texas to August and Annie Arthur Leopold. During the Second World War he answered the call of his country and joined the Army.

After Bill was honorably discharged from the service he settled in Galveston. Bill helped run a family clothing store and then opened a real estate business in the early 1960s. Bill also built apartments, subdivisions, houses and commercial properties throughout Galveston County. He was a successful real estate broker, land developer, restorer of historic homes and philanthropist. Bill was highly respected by everyone. He freely and lovingly gave his counsel to countless men and women trying to start

businesses throughout our area who sought his help. When Bill spoke, people listened and they knew they could rely on his sound and wise advice. He possessed high ethical and moral standards.

Bill loved Galveston with all his heart and soul. He could always be counted on to lend a hand to worthy civic and religious activities. Everyone wanted Bill to be associated with their cause. His generosity was legendary. He was a long time member of Trinity Episcopal Church where he served on the Vestry and as both junior and senior wardens. For many years he was chief usher. Bill was a member of Harmony Lodge #6, a Scottish Rite Mason and a Noble of the El Mina Shrine Temple. Over the years, he also served as the director of the Galveston Chamber of Commerce, the William Temple Foundation, the Historic Downtown-Strand Partnership, the 1894 Grand Opera House and he was the founder of the University Area Association. Bill served a vice-chairman of the Galveston County Navigation District and was a past director of Guaranty Federal Savings and Loan. He worked tirelessly with the Galveston Historical Foundation, the Salvation Army and a host of other charitable organizations.

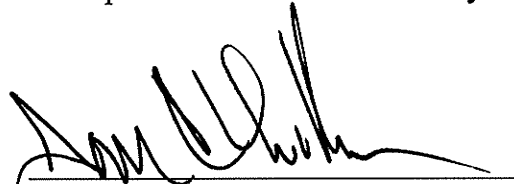
We will always remember Bill as a great member and leader of our Rotary Club. He was one of our most respected and beloved members. His Rotary membership spanned 48 years. He loved Rotary and everything it stands for. He embraced the Club and his fellow Rotarians like he did all things in his life that were important to him - with great enthusiasm, commitment and love. Bill served on our Board many times. He also served as our Secretary, sergeant-at arms and he was a Paul Harris Fellow. Bill truly lived his life in accordance with our Rotary motto: "SERVICE ABOVE SELF."

Bill lived a wonderful life and was a great American. He served his God, his family, friends, our community and our nation to the fullest. We all know that when Bill arrived at the gates of Heaven last Wednesday, God walked over to the entryway and announced to all present: "This is my beloved Bill in whom I am well pleased. I have prepared a special place for him in My Kingdom."

The Rotary Club of Galveston wishes to note, with deep regret, the


passing of Bill Leopold, a loyal member, cherished friend and exceptional man. We bestow our sincere sympathy to his niece, nephews, other family members and friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION be entered in the minutes of this Club, made a permanent part of the records of the Rotary Club of Galveston, and that copies be presented to Bill's family.




Tom LaRue, President

I, Ruth Finkelstein Suhler, Secretary of the Rotary Club of Galveston, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY A STANDING VOTE OF THE MEMBERS at the regular meeting of our Club in Galveston, Texas, on November 28, 2012.



Ruth Finkelstein Suhler, Secretary *mys*



Michael J. Guarino
Remembrance Committee Chairman