

By: King of Parker

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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 death of Roy Joe Grogan of Weatherford on March 30, 2020, at the age
3 of 93; and

4 WHEREAS, Roy Joe Grogan was born in Weatherford to Blanche
5 and Clarence Grogan on October 4, 1926, and he grew up with a
6 brother, Douglas; after graduating from Weatherford High School in
7 1943, he attended Weatherford College and North Texas Agricultural
8 College, interrupting his education to serve with the U.S. Navy in
9 Hawaii; returning to civilian life, he completed his studies at
10 Weatherford College and earned his law degree at Duke University in
11 1950; and

12 WHEREAS, Subsequently recruited by the FBI, Mr. Grogan was
13 personally commissioned as a special agent by J. Edgar Hoover and
14 worked for the bureau in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Oakland,
15 California, for several years before returning to Weatherford; he
16 enjoyed a long and diverse career in his hometown as a lawyer, a
17 real estate developer, and the owner and operator of several
18 manufacturing companies, including Antelope Oil Tool; he also
19 served for a time as the district attorney of Parker County; and

20 WHEREAS, A man of strong religious faith, Mr. Grogan was a
21 lay leader in the Methodist Church for more than four decades,
22 holding many local and national leadership positions; he was also a
23 33rd Degree Mason, and he served as president of the United Way and
24 the Lions Club and as chair of the March of Dimes, the Parker and

1 Palo Pinto District of the Boy Scouts of America, and the Parker
2 County Crime Commission; as head of Civic Development, Inc., he
3 oversaw the establishment of the Doss Heritage and Cultural Center;
4 he was named Weatherford's Citizen of the Year in 1992, and he
5 received the Paragon Medallion from Weatherford College in 1995 and
6 the Carlos Hartnett Award in 2000; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Grogan married Jeanne Meredith in 1951, and the
8 couple were devoted to one another for 69 years, until his passing;
9 he was the proud father of three children, Georganne, Jeaneane, and
10 Jay, and he was delighted to welcome into his family eight
11 grandchildren, Tyler, Garrett, Meredith, Blas, Bryan, Reed, Trent,
12 and William, and seven great-grandchildren, Wyatt, Brock, Truly,
13 Tipper, Boone, Blas, and Riley; an energetic man with a restless
14 spirit, he loved taking his children on vacations to Europe in the
15 1960s and 1970s, and he treated each of his grandchildren to a trip
16 anywhere in the world on their 12th birthday; after retirement, he
17 and his wife traveled the globe for months at a time, visiting Asia,
18 Africa, South America, and China; and

19 WHEREAS, A loving family man and a proud son of Weatherford,
20 Roy Joe Grogan possessed a generosity of spirit that expressed
21 itself in myriad ways, and he enriched the lives of countless people
22 with his warmth and kindness; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Roy Joe Grogan and
25 extend heartfelt sympathy to his relatives and friends; and, be it
26 further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Roy Joe
3 Grogan.