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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Residents of Nacogdoches lost an admired civic
- 2 leader with the passing of Bill Truman Teague on December 25, 2020,
- 3 at the age of 83; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Carl and Gladys Teague, Bill Teague was
- 5 born in Freer on October 24, 1937, and grew up in Abilene; he earned
- 6 his bachelor's degree in medical technology from Hardin-Simmons
- 7 University, and after serving as a second lieutenant in the U.S.
- 8 Army, he graduated from the blood bank specialty program at The
- 9 University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Early in his career, Mr. Teague worked at Ortho
- 11 Clinical Diagnostics in New Jersey with the team that developed
- 12 RhoGAM, the vaccine to protect the unborn babies of Rh-negative
- 13 mothers; he went on to serve as CEO of blood banks in Florida and
- 14 Austin, and in 1975, he was appointed as founding CEO of Gulf Coast
- 15 Regional Blood Center in Houston; admired in his field, he served as
- 16 president of the American Association of Blood Banks and treasurer
- 17 of the American Blood Commission, and he was involved in policy and
- 18 accreditation; he received numerous awards through the years, and
- 19 in 2006, he was named president emeritus of Gulf Coast Regional
- 20 Blood Center; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Mr. Teague was a member of the Harris County
- 22 Sports & Convention Corporation board and a lifetime vice president
- 23 of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo; in addition, he was
- 24 president of the Rotary Club of Houston, and after moving to

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- 1 Nacogdoches in retirement, he continued his noteworthy efforts as a
- 2 Rotarian; he was also interim president and CEO of the Nacogdoches
- 3 County Chamber of Commerce, and he was active in the Nacogdoches
- 4 Booster Club, the SFASU Foundation board, and First United
- 5 Methodist Church; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Teague shared a rewarding
- 7 relationship of nearly 38 years with his wife, Lynn, and he took
- 8 great pride in his sons, Tim and Jim, and his grandsons, Wade and
- 9 James; an avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and
- 10 competing with his Labrador retrievers, including his beloved
- 11 Cinder; he served as president of both the Master National
- 12 Retriever Club and its MNRC Foundation; and
- WHEREAS, Although Bill Teague is deeply missed, his life
- 14 stands as an inspiring example of the good that one person can
- 15 accomplish; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Bill Truman Teague
- 18 and extend sincere condolences to his relatives and friends; and,
- 19 be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Bill Truman
- 23 Teague.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 318 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 25, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House