

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Texans are mourning the loss of Dr. Robert Otto  
2 Dittmar II of Kerrville, an esteemed veterinarian for the Texas  
3 Parks and Wildlife Department who tragically passed away on August  
4 8, 2020, at the age of 64; and

5           WHEREAS, Bob Dittmar was born in Fredericksburg on October  
6 18, 1955, to Robert and Irene Dittmar; he grew up with two siblings,  
7 Karen and Jerry, on the family ranch in Harper and was a member of  
8 the Harper High School Class of 1973; he went on to earn an  
9 undergraduate degree at Texas A&M University and graduated from the  
10 Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical  
11 Sciences in 1979; and

12           WHEREAS, Embarking on a career in veterinary medicine,  
13 Dr. Dittmar practiced in Weslaco, Hondo, and then at the Kerrville  
14 Veterinary Clinic, which he owned for nearly a decade, beginning in  
15 1982; establishing strong relationships with clients throughout  
16 the Texas Hill Country, he earned a reputation for the dedicated and  
17 consistent care that he provided in every situation; and

18           WHEREAS, In 2014, Dr. Dittmar became the first wildlife  
19 veterinarian for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; the role  
20 allowed him to pursue his passion for conservation by working with  
21 landowners, hunters, and biologists to help preserve native  
22 wildlife, and he cared deeply about his efforts to relocate Texas  
23 bighorn sheep and pronghorn and to assist TPWD in responding to  
24 complex animal health and disease issues; he also contributed his

1 time and expertise to several TPWD committees, and he was active  
2 with numerous other organizations; he served as director of the  
3 Texas Wildlife Association and helped develop the Doss and Harper  
4 Wildlife Management Associations; moreover, he taught many youth  
5 about wildlife and responsible hunting, and he gave back to the  
6 local community as director of the Texas Farm Bureau in Kerr County;  
7 and

8         WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Dr. Dittmar enjoyed the love  
9 and support of his wife, Bernadine, with whom he shared a rewarding  
10 marriage that spanned more than four decades; he was the devoted  
11 father of two children, Robert and Whitney, and he took great pride  
12 in his grandchildren, Hayden, Paige, Kimber, and Levi; a man of  
13 faith, he served on the church council at Zion Lutheran Church in  
14 Kerrville; and

15         WHEREAS, While Dr. Bob Dittmar's passing has deprived the  
16 Texas conservation and wildlife community of an admired leader, his  
17 achievements will continue to resonate in the years to come; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Robert Otto  
21 Dittmar II and extend deepest condolences to his relatives,  
22 friends, and colleagues; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Bob Dittmar.

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Morales of Maverick  
King of Hemphill

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 673 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 23, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House