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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Sarah Garrahan, a longtime Bexar
County judge and a dear friend to many, passed away on March 26,
2021, at the age of 84; and

WHEREAS, Born in Stockdale on November 2, 1936, to Bird and 4 5 Clara Wiley Rose, the former Sarah Rose grew up with the companionship of four siblings, Irene, Norman, Violet, and Joyce; 6 7 she graduated as valedictorian of her class in high school, and shortly thereafter, she married Richard M. Garrahan and moved to 8 9 San Antonio; she went on to raise three children, Judye, Valerie, and Donald, and while balancing the responsibilities of motherhood, 10 11 she continued her studies and became a member of the first 12 graduating class at The University of Texas at San Antonio in 1977; 13 and

14 WHEREAS, Judge Garrahan subsequently enrolled at St. Mary's University School of Law, obtaining her juris doctorate, and was 15 licensed with the State Bar of Texas in 1981; she worked for a time 16 as a federal attorney for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 17 serving on the prosecution team for the trial for the murder of U.S. 18 District Judge John H. Wood Jr.; in 1986, she won election to her 19 first term as judge of County Court at Law No. 4, and she held the 20 position for more than three decades, often running unopposed; she 21 retired from the bench in 2014 but continued to serve as a visiting 22 23 judge for several years; and

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WHEREAS, In addition to her three children, Judge Garrahan

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1 was blessed with the love and support of three grandchildren, 2 Kelly, Sarah, and Lindsey, and a great-grandson, Jalen; after the 3 end of her first marriage, she shared a rewarding relationship with 4 her second husband, John Moulder, who preceded her in death in 1994; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, Sarah Garrahan earned the respect and admiration of 7 innumerable people over the course of her long career in public 8 service, and her contributions to Bexar County will be remembered 9 for years to come; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Judge Sarah Garrahan 11 12 and extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to her children, Judye Garrahan Mobley, Valerie Kim Garrahan Pisano, and 13 14 Donald Rick Garrahan and his wife, Linda Hart Garrahan; to her 15 children's father, Richard M. Garrahan; to her grandchildren, Kelly Wilson and her husband, Alan, Sarah Lynn Garrahan, and Lindsey 16 17 Mobley; to her great-grandson, Jalen Wilson; to her siblings, Irene Gage, Norman Kallies, and Violet Glover; and to her other relatives 18 and friends; and, be it further 19

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 21 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of 22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Judge Sarah 23 Garrahan.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 903 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 8, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House