By: Cason H.R. No. 1046

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of former
- 2 Bedford Fire Chief James Lauren Tindell, who passed away on April
- 3 28, 2021, at the age of 60; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Jim Tindell was born to Dean Tindell and Joyce
- 5 Dombrowski on December 27, 1960, in Fort Worth and grew up with a
- 6 brother, Paul; a member of the Class of 1979 at L. D. Bell High
- 7 School in Hurst, he began a career in emergency response at the age
- 8 of 16, when he became a volunteer with the Bedford Fire Department;
- 9 he rose through the ranks to eventually become fire chief, and he
- 10 retired on May 17, 2016, after nearly four decades with the
- 11 department; and
- WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family, Mr. Tindell enjoyed 38
- 13 years of marriage with his wife, Shawn, and he took great pride in
- 14 their children, Chris and Rachel; with the passing years, he was
- 15 further blessed with two grandchildren, Joie and James; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Tindell took an active role in his community,
- 17 giving freely of his time and talents to youth organizations such as
- 18 the Mid-Cities Pee Wee Football and Cheerleading Association and
- 19 the local Bedford swim team; his favorite pastimes included
- 20 camping, fishing on the Gulf, riding his Harley-Davidson
- 21 motorcycle, and listening to rock and roll; and
- WHEREAS, Kind and generous, Jim Tindell earned the admiration
- 23 and affection of all who knew him, and he leaves behind a record of
- 24 service that his loved ones can remember with pride; now,

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- 1 therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of James Lauren
- 4 Tindell and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
- 5 family: to his wife, Shawn Tindell; to his son, Chris Tindell, and
- 6 his wife, Marisa; to his daughter, Rachel DeChard, and her husband,
- 7 Patrick; to his grandchildren, Joie and James; and to all who mourn
- 8 his passing; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jim
- 12 Tindell.