By: Hughes S.R. No. 23

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their
- 2 memories of James C. Gilbert of Texarkana, who passed away on
- 3 May 19, 2023, at the age of 81; and
- WHEREAS, Born in Watson, Arkansas, on September 13, 1941,
- 5 James Gilbert was the son of G. W. and Alice Gilbert; after
- 6 graduating from high school, he answered his nation's call to duty
- 7 and served in the U.S. Army; he later embarked on a civilian career
- 8 in the wholesale flower business and retired from Greenleaf
- 9 Wholesale Florist after 32 years in the industry; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Gilbert shared more than six decades of marriage
- 11 with his loving wife, Lena; they were the devoted parents of a
- 12 daughter, Sherrie, and a son, Phillip, and with the passing years,
- 13 Mr. Gilbert experienced the joy of seeing his treasured family grow
- 14 to include five grandchildren, Sarah, Kimberly, Phillip, Kayleigh,
- 15 and Matthew, and a step-granddaughter, Shannon, as well as five
- 16 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren; and
- WHEREAS, In his leisure time, Mr. Gilbert enjoyed grilling
- 18 and deer hunting, and he loved to take trips to casinos; his
- 19 greatest pleasure was hosting crawfish boils each spring; and
- WHEREAS, Although James Gilbert is greatly missed, he has
- 21 left his family and friends with a wealth of memories that they will
- 22 forever cherish; now, therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 1st
- 24 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of James C. Gilbert

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- 1 and extend deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his
- 2 wife, Lena Gilbert; to his daughter, Sherrie Parker, and her
- 3 husband, Danny; to his son, Phillip Gilbert, and his wife, Debi; to
- 4 his sister, Earlene Landry; to his grandchildren,
- 5 great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; and to his
- 6 many other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
- 9 day, it do so in memory of James Gilbert.