By: Buckley H.R. No. 44

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to 2 a close with the passing of U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Lloyd Coley of Belton on August 28, 2023, at the age of 69; and 3 WHEREAS, The son of William E. Coley Sr. and Laura Lee Coley, 4 5 Lloyd Coley was born in Richmond, Virginia, on June 19, 1954; he grew up with the companionship of eight siblings, Barbara, Essie, 6 7 William, Spencer, Sylvia, Gwendolyn, Sheila, and Lavette; and WHEREAS, Mr. Coley enlisted in the United States Army in July 8 9 1972, and his distinguished military career ultimately spanned three decades; he rose to the rank of command sergeant major and was 10 awarded the Legion of Merit in recognition of his exemplary service 11 12 to his nation; and 13 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Coley enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Brenda, with whom he shared a rewarding marriage of 47 years; he was the devoted father of two children, Ebonie and Justin, and he also experienced the joy of welcoming two

- support of his wife, Brenda, with whom he shared a rewarding marriage of 47 years; he was the devoted father of two children, Ebonie and Justin, and he also experienced the joy of welcoming two grandchildren into his family; a man of faith who was guided by a strong moral compass, he attended Cornerstone Baptist Church, where he was ordained as a deacon and was unanimously selected to serve as deacon chairman; and
- deacon chairman; and

 WHEREAS, Although Lloyd Coley is deeply missed, memories of
 his integrity, his strength of character, and his devotion to his
 family and his country remain to comfort and inspire those he leaves
 behind; now, therefore, be it

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- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 1 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of 2 U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Lloyd Coley and extend 3 deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, 4 Brenda Coley; to his daughter, Ebonie Bain, and her husband, Nigel; 5 6 to his son, Justin "Jay" Coley, and his wife, Kristy; to his grandsons, Justin and Jason; to his brothers, William E. Coley Jr. 7 and his wife, Brenda, and Spencer Coley and his wife, Patricia; to 8 his sisters, Sylvia Coley, Gwendolyn Coley, Sheila Green and her 9 husband, Irvin, and Lavette Branch; and to his other relatives and 10 many friends; and, be it further 11
- 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 Lloyd Coley.