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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived may help to comfort
2 those saddened by the passing of Wayne Smith Johnston of
3 San Antonio on July 14, 2022, at the age of 77; and

4 WHEREAS, Wayne Johnston was born in Port Arthur on January 5,
5 1945, to Lottie and John Johnston Jr.; he grew up on a ranch in
6 Harper with the companionship of two brothers, John and Richard,
7 and he graduated from Tivy High School in 1963; shortly thereafter,
8 he met his future wife, the former "Sue" Cunningham, on a blind date
9 at Crider's in Hunt, and the couple continued their relationship
10 even after he was drafted and deployed to Germany during the Vietnam
11 War in 1966; they married on November 7, 1968, and went on to share
12 more than five decades together; and

13 WHEREAS, Following his military service, Mr. Johnston and
14 his wife moved to Lubbock, and in 1972, he graduated from Texas Tech
15 University with a bachelor's degree in agricultural agronomy; the
16 couple then moved to San Antonio, where he owned a tractor
17 dealership for several years and enjoyed a long and rewarding
18 career in agricultural sales; and

19 WHEREAS, Above all else, Mr. Johnston treasured the time
20 spent with his family, and he took great pride in his children,
21 Jamie Lynn and Wayne Bryson, and his grandchildren, Jack and
22 Benton; he was an active member of Northwood Presbyterian Church,
23 where he served as an elder and deacon for many years; in his
24 leisure time, he enjoyed going on family vacations, hunting,

1 fishing, and cheering on the Red Raiders football team; and

2 WHEREAS, Admired for his devotion to his family and his
3 generosity of spirit, Wayne Johnston enriched the lives of all who
4 knew him, and they will forever hold him close in their hearts; now,
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Wayne Smith Johnston
8 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family and to
9 his friends; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Wayne
13 Johnston.