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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Mary Cunningham
- 2 Johnston of San Antonio were deeply saddened by her passing on
- 3 December 14, 2022, at the age of 77; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The daughter of George and Georgia Genevieve
- 5 Cunningham, the former "Sue" Cunningham was born in San Antonio on
- 6 June 13, 1945, and she grew up in Uvalde with the companionship of
- 7 her older sister, Barbara Jane; after graduating from high school,
- 8 she attended The University of Texas at Austin, where she was a
- 9 member of Alpha Delta Pi; on a blind date at Crider's Rodeo &
- 10 Dancehall in Hunt, she met her future husband, Wayne Johnston, who
- 11 was drafted and deployed to Germany in 1966, during the Vietnam War;
- 12 the couple exchanged wedding vows on November 7, 1968, in
- 13 Baumholder, Germany, and they went on to share 54 years of marriage
- 14 before his passing in July 2022; and
- WHEREAS, The Johnstons returned to Texas shortly after their
- 16 wedding and settled in Lubbock; Mrs. Johnston went on to earn a
- 17 master's degree in education from Texas Tech University and began
- 18 her teaching career at Slaton Elementary School; in 1973, the
- 19 couple moved to San Antonio, where she taught at Clear Spring
- 20 Elementary School for more than a decade; she left the field of
- 21 education in 1985 and became a certified travel agent, which
- 22 enabled the family to travel around the world; and
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnston was the loving mother of two children,
- 24 Jamie Lynn and Wayne Bryson, and with the passing years, she had the

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- 1 privilege of seeing her family grow to include two grandchildren,
- 2 Benton and Jack; she delighted in celebrating special occasions
- 3 with her loved ones and in creating a happy, comforting, and
- 4 welcoming home for her family, her friends, and her two loyal dogs,
- 5 Petey and Ryder; moreover, she was a valued member of Northwood
- 6 Presbyterian Church, and in her leisure time, she enjoyed arts and
- 7 crafts; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Although Sue Johnston will be greatly missed, she
- 9 has left her family and friends with a wealth of memories that they
- 10 will forever cherish; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Mary Cunningham
- 13 Johnston and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her
- 14 passing; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sue
- 18 Johnston.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 881 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 10, 2023.

Chief Clerk of the House