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R E S O L U T I O N

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

15 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

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Johnston was the loving mother of two children,
24 Jamie Lynn and Wayne Bryson, and with the passing years, she had the

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

11 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.