SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 552

In Memory of Noel White

WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories of Noel Keith White of Post, who passed away on January 5, 2020, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, The son of Lowe and Beulah White, Noel White was born in Garza County on October 15, 1938, and he grew up with the companionship of his brother, Carter; he moved with his family to Post in the fourth grade, and he attended Post High School, where he competed in football, basketball, and track and graduated in 1957; and

WHEREAS, Mr. White farmed in the Graham community for 25 years, and he was also employed as the manager of the Graham Co-op Gin, as a day-worker at several local ranches, and as a school bus driver for the Post Independent School District; he retired from his job as a crop insurance adjuster at the age of 75, but he continued to work as a substitute bus driver until two weeks before his death; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Mr. White gave generously of his time and talents to a number of organizations, including the Graham and Garza County 4-H Adult Leaders Association, the Garza County Junior Livestock Association, and the Caprock Cutting Horse Association; moreover, he served as an elder at the Graham Chapel Church of Christ and was a mentor to many area young people, helping them improve their horsemanship skills and prepare themselves for the challenges of adulthood; a gifted singer and musician, he performed at the Post Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for more than three and a half decades and at numerous other venues; in recognition of his many contributions, he was named the Garza County Citizen of the Year in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mr. White and his wife, Orabeth, shared a rewarding marriage that spanned 62 years; they raised three children, Steve, Sam, and Keitha, and the family later grew to include a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his loved ones, his faith, and his community, Noel White earned the lasting respect and admiration of all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Noel Keith White and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Orabeth White; to his children, Steve White and his wife, Jackie, Sam Butler, and Keitha Beth Hill and her husband, Tim; to his grandchildren, Cheyenne and Kody Porterfield, Schelli and Cody Jackson, Avery Wright, Makaylee Noel Butler, Hadley White, and Haven and Harbor Hill; to his

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great-grandchildren, Klaire Porterfield and Jaylee Jackson; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Noel White.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 11, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate