By: Perry S.R. No. 552

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories

of Noel Keith White of Post, who passed away on January 5, 2020, at

3 the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, The son of Lowe and Beulah White, Noel White was born

5 in Garza County on October 15, 1938, and he grew up with the

6 companionship of his brother, Carter; he moved with his family to

7 Post in the fourth grade, and he attended Post High School, where he

8 competed in football, basketball, and track and graduated in 1957;

9 and

2

10 WHEREAS, Mr. White farmed in the Graham community for 25

11 years, and he was also employed as the manager of the Graham Co-op

12 Gin, as a day-worker at several local ranches, and as a school bus

13 driver for the Post Independent School District; he retired from

14 his job as a crop insurance adjuster at the age of 75, but he

15 continued to work as a substitute bus driver until two weeks before

16 his death; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Mr. White gave generously

18 of his time and talents to a number of organizations, including the

19 Graham and Garza County 4-H Adult Leaders Association, the Garza

20 County Junior Livestock Association, and the Caprock Cutting Horse

21 Association; moreover, he served as an elder at the Graham Chapel

22 Church of Christ and was a mentor to many area young people, helping

23 them improve their horsemanship skills and prepare themselves for

24 the challenges of adulthood; a gifted singer and musician, he

S.R. No. 552

- 1 performed at the Post Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for more
- 2 than three and a half decades and at numerous other venues; in
- 3 recognition of his many contributions, he was named the Garza
- 4 County Citizen of the Year in 2012; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. White and his wife, Orabeth, shared a rewarding
- 6 marriage that spanned 62 years; they raised three children, Steve,
- 7 Sam, and Keitha, and the family later grew to include a number of
- 8 grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his loved ones, his faith, and
- 10 his community, Noel White earned the lasting respect and admiration
- 11 of all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
- 13 hereby pay tribute to the memory of Noel Keith White and extend
- 14 heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 15 Orabeth White; to his children, Steve White and his wife, Jackie,
- 16 Sam Butler, and Keitha Beth Hill and her husband, Tim; to his
- 17 grandchildren, Cheyenne and Kody Porterfield, Schelli and Cody
- 18 Jackson, Avery Wright, Makaylee Noel Butler, Hadley White, and
- 19 Haven and Harbor Hill; to his great-grandchildren, Klaire
- 20 Porterfield and Jaylee Jackson; and to his other relatives and
- 21 friends; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
- 24 day, it do so in memory of Noel White.