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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Jesse W. Orr on April 18, 2003, at the 2 age of 64, has brought a great loss to the many relatives and 3 friends of this esteemed citizen of Birthright; and

WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mr. Orr was born September 28, 1938, in Birthright, the son of Jess and Mae Dee Reed Orr, and he was a graduate of North Hopkins High School; he was retired from his career as the long-time owner and operator of the Jess Orr Store, which had been in his family for more than 70 years at the time of its sale; and

WHEREAS, This fine man was also a dedicated civic leader who 10 11 served his fellow citizens as a Hopkins County justice of the peace 12 for 28 years; his notable contributions to his community included serving as president and director of the Texas Rural Water 13 Association, director of the Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce, 14 and president of the North Hopkins Water Supply Corporation; in 15 recognition of his myriad civic accomplishments, he was deservedly 16 honored as a recipient of the Outstanding Citizen Award by the 17 Hopkins County Rural Urban Association during his lifetime; now, 18 therefore, be it 19

20 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas 21 hereby pay tribute to the life of Jesse W. Orr and extend sincere 22 sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Jorene Jones 23 Orr; to his children, Charles Carns, Cindy Thomison, and Brenda 24 O'Brien; to his brother and sister-in-law, J. Kin and Rosemary Orr;

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to his six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and to the other relatives and many friends of this beloved gentleman; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of Jesse W. Orr.