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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The untimely passing of Mark Ryan Hernandez of 2 Nederland on January 28, 2007, at the age of 34, has brought great 3 sorrow to the family and friends of this bright and caring Texan; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, А lifelong resident of Southeast Texas, 6 Mr. Hernandez was born in Port Arthur on September 19, 1972; he graduated from Nederland High School and went on to attend Lamar 7 University, where he was a member of the Young Democrats and served 8 as the group's president before earning his bachelor's degree in 9 1999; and 10

11 WHEREAS, Employed by the Ehrhart School in Beaumont, he also 12 worked at the Schooner Restaurant in Nederland and considered his 13 coworkers there his second family; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Hernandez drew great strength and sustenance 15 from his own close-knit family, as well as from his many friends and 16 his fellow congregants at the First Baptist Church of Port Neches; 17 and

WHEREAS, During his years on this earth, Mark Hernandez brightened the lives of countless people, and though he will be deeply missed, memories of this fine young man will forever live on in the hearts of all those who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Mark Ryan Hernandez

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and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his parents, Richard and Angel Hernandez; to his sister, Andrea Harrington and her husband, Kris; to his nephew, Anthony Harrington; to his grandmother, Sue Hernandez; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 7 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mark Ryan 9 Hernandez.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 187 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 12, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House