By: Lavender H.R. No. 472

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Joseph "Jo Jo" Westmoreland Scholarship Fund BBQ
- 2 takes place in Hughes Springs on the last weekend in April each
- 3 year; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Held in conjunction with the Wildflower Trails
- 5 festivities, this popular event features a competition sanctioned
- 6 by the International Barbeque Cookers Association, with numerous
- 7 pit masters vying for prizes for the tastiest smoked delicacies;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, The cook-off was first established in 2010 and
- 10 honors the life of Joseph "Jo Jo" Westmoreland, a former student and
- 11 member of the football team at Hughes Springs High School, who
- 12 tragically passed away on February 18, 2009, at the age of 16; and
- WHEREAS, To pay tribute to this beloved young man, a
- 14 scholarship fund was created to assist local students with their
- 15 studies, and the barbeque serves as a fund-raiser for this positive
- 16 community initiative; and
- 17 WHEREAS, This two-day gathering is a worthwhile benefit that
- 18 promises good fun, good food, and some spirited cooking
- 19 competition, and it is a welcome addition to the notable lineup of
- 20 barbeque celebrations that take place in the Lone Star State; now,
- 21 therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby honor the Joseph "Jo Jo" Westmoreland
- 24 Scholarship Fund BBQ and extend sincere best wishes to all those

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- 1 involved for an enjoyable and rewarding event; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for the cook-off as an expression of high regard by the
- 4 Texas House of Representatives.