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H.R. No. 264

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the untimely death
2 of Billy Joe Weiss of Brenham, who passed away on June 3, 2013, at
3 the age of 49; and

4 WHEREAS, Bill Weiss was born in Brenham on February 24, 1964,
5 to Edwin and Edna Weiss; after graduating from Brenham High School
6 in 1982, he attended Blinn College and earned a bachelor's degree in
7 marketing from Texas A&M University in 1986; and

8 WHEREAS, For the first decade of his career, Mr. Weiss worked
9 for two department stores, first Joske's and then Dillard's, where
10 he was a manager; in 1997, he returned to Brenham and went to work as
11 a media buyer for Blue Bell Creameries, rising to corporate media
12 relations manager in 2003; he served as chair of the company's
13 centennial celebration, and in 2012, he became advertising and
14 public relations manager; and

15 WHEREAS, In addition to his professional achievements,
16 Mr. Weiss served his community as president of the Brenham Noon
17 Lions Club and the Washington County A&M Club; he was also active in
18 such worthy organizations as the 12th Man Foundation, the
19 Washington County Chamber of Commerce, and Leadership Washington
20 County, and he supported the Putt 2 Cure MS mini-golf tournament and
21 the Blue Bell Fun Run; and

22 WHEREAS, A man of strong religious faith, Mr. Weiss was a
23 valued member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and he contributed his
24 time and resources to the Brazos Valley Fellowship of Christian

1 Athletes and Brazos Valley Young Life; and

2 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan enjoyed a quarter-century of
3 marriage to Kathleen Goessler, and together they were blessed with
4 a son, Erik, and a daughter, Rachel; and

5 WHEREAS, Bill Weiss loved hunting, going to Jimmy Buffett
6 concerts, fishing at Rockport, and following the fortunes of his
7 beloved Aggies, and he especially treasured spending time with his
8 family and friends; although his life ended far too soon, memories
9 of his warmth, good humor, and bright smile will remain to comfort
10 and inspire all those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
12 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
13 Billy Joe Weiss and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
14 family: to his wife, Kathleen Weiss; to his son, Erik Weiss; to his
15 daughter, Rachel Weiss; to his parents, Edna and Edwin Weiss, Jr.;
16 to his parents-in-law, Kenneth and Esther Goessler; to his siblings
17 and their spouses, Bonnie and Mike Brinkmeyer, Debbie and Ken Von
18 Gonten, Rick and Leslie Weiss, Lois and Wayne Wilhelm, and Lori
19 Benn; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Billy Joe
24 Weiss.