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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt at
- 2 the loss of Victor Lynn Lovelady of Nederland, who died on January
- 3 19, 2013, at the age of 57; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Lovelady had just taken a new job with British
- 5 Petroleum in Algeria when the facility where he worked was attacked
- 6 by a terrorist group on January 16, 2013; several days after they
- 7 were taken hostage, Mr. Lovelady and two other innocent Americans
- 8 lost their lives to the terrorists; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Victor Lovelady was born in Nederland on July 31,
- 10 1955, to Dewey and Laura Green Lovelady; after graduating from
- 11 Nederland High School in 1973, he followed his father into the
- 12 electrician's trade, earning certification as a master electrician
- 13 at Electrical Apprenticeship School; he went on to earn an
- 14 associate's degree in industrial electricity and electronics and a
- 15 bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from Lamar University;
- 16 for most of his career, he worked for ENGlobal, serving as a project
- 17 manager for 18 years; and
- WHEREAS, In 1979, Mr. Lovelady was joined in matrimony to the
- 19 love of his life, Maureen, and together they were blessed with two
- 20 children, Erin and Grant; in all their years together, this loving
- 21 man put his wife and children at the center of his life, and he
- 22 especially delighted in the time they spent fishing, camping, and
- 23 going to the beach, where Mr. Lovelady spent so much time in the
- 24 surf that he earned the affectionate nickname "The Fish"; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Victor Lovelady lived his life
- $2\,$  to the fullest, and although he was taken far too soon, the
- 3 compassion and generosity with which he lived will forever inspire
- 4 those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Victor Lynn
- 7 Lovelady and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
- 8 family: to his wife, Maureen Lovelady; to his daughter, Erin
- 9 Lovelady; to his son, Grant Lovelady; to his brother, Mike
- 10 Lovelady, his wife, Wanda, and their children, Kevin, Jason, and
- 11 Ashley; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for his family, and that when the Texas House of
- 14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Victor
- 15 Lovelady.