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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived may help to comfort
- 2 those saddened by the passing of Jimmie Eugene Garrett Jr. of Corpus
- 3 Christi on April 20, 2015, at the age of 59; and
- WHEREAS, Born on January 23, 1956, to Jimmie and Margaret
- 5 Garrett, Mr. Garrett grew up in Corpus Christi and graduated from
- 6 King High School in 1974; he married the love of his life, the
- 7 former Christy O'Rourke, on September 2, 1978, and they became the
- 8 proud parents of eight daughters, Kerre, Kristin, Kandace, Kortney,
- 9 Korri, Katlyn, Kasey, and Kameryn; the couple later shared in the
- 10 joy of welcoming into their cherished family seven grandchildren,
- 11 Madison, Nathan, Jayden, Brooklyn, Jillian, Dylan, and Austin; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Garrett was employed as a mechanic for several
- 13 years before taking over as the owner of Panjo's Pizza Parlor; he
- 14 successfully operated the restaurant for a quarter-century, and he
- 15 continued to manage the business until his final days; and
- WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was an ardent car enthusiast,
- 17 and he often delighted in attending and participating in drag
- 18 racing events; most of all, he loved sharing laughter and stories
- 19 with family and friends; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Kind and generous, Jimmie Garrett lived a life that
- 21 was rich in the intangibles that matter most, and he is deeply
- 22 missed by all those who had the good fortune to know him; now,
- 23 therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jimmie Eugene
- 2 Garrett Jr. and extend sincere condolences to the members of his
- 3 family: to his wife of 36 years, Christy O'Rourke Garrett; to his
- 4 daughters, Kristin Marry and her husband, Djuan, Kandace Chapman
- 5 and her husband, Cliff, Kortney Arispe and her husband, Nicholas,
- 6 Korri Mesmer and her husband, David, and Katlyn, Kasey, and Kameryn
- 7 Garrett; to his grandchildren, Madison White, Nathan, Jayden,
- 8 Brooklyn, and Jillian Marry, and Dylan and Austin Arispe; to his
- 9 mother, Margaret Garrett; to his sisters, Jane Brelsford and her
- 10 husband, Harry, and Gina Werden and her husband, Jim; to Katrina
- 11 Kelly; and to his many other friends and relatives; and, be it
- 12 further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jimmie
- 16 Eugene Garrett Jr.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2543 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 21, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House