## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 648

## In Memory of Howard Newton Cox

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Blanco in mourning the loss of Howard Newton Cox, who died February 11, 2015, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, This lifelong Texan was born on January 26, 1934, in Blanco; he enriched the lives of all who knew him through his wisdom, his warmth, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, As a young man, Mr. Cox worked as a road paver, and despite having only a ninth-grade education, he started his own company, Cox Paving, in 1967; although it was a small business, the company helped pioneer the paving technique of blending rubber crumb into asphalt; years later, the company focused on hot asphalt rubber paving, and to keep up with the demand for the new processes, Mr. Cox launched D&H Equipment in 2003; and

WHEREAS, A highly successful entrepreneur, he diversified his business endeavors by becoming involved with agriculture and cattle ranching in Belize, and in Texas, he founded the CX Cattle Company; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cox was devoted to his family and shared nearly 60 years of marriage with Dolores Cox; they traveled the globe together, and they were blessed with six children, 19 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Howard Cox was respected and admired for his many contributions to the Blanco community and this state; he was beloved by many, and he leaves behind memories that will long be

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cherished by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Howard Newton Cox; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Howard Cox.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 28, 2015, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate