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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Michael
2 Gene Bryan of Keller, who passed away on January 25, 2017, at the
3 age of 71; and

4 WHEREAS, Mike Bryan was born in Coleman on June 27, 1945, to
5 Dany and Glenda Jean Bryan; after graduating from Abilene High
6 School, he attended Texas A&M University, where he was a
7 distinguished member of the Corps of Cadets; and

8 WHEREAS, During his senior year, Mr. Bryan married his high
9 school sweetheart, Carole Herring; the couple became the proud
10 parents of three children, Matthew, Mark, and Michelle, and later
11 in life, their family grew to include seven grandchildren, Taylor,
12 Logan, Huston, Hogan, Peighton, Lanie, and Cameron; and

13 WHEREAS, After graduating from Texas A&M, Mr. Bryan was
14 commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army; he began
15 studies at Texas A&M toward a master's degree in business but was
16 called to active military duty, first in the quartermaster branch
17 and then as a company commander at Fort Carson, Colorado; he
18 concluded his military service after two years at the rank of first
19 lieutenant; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryan began his civilian career with Stewart and
21 Stevenson in 1970 as a district sales engineer in Odessa, and he
22 went on to hold the positions of sales manager and oil-field sales
23 manager in the company's Dallas office; in 1986, he started his own
24 business, M. G. Bryan Equipment Company, which prospered over the

1 years, earning recognition in 2007 as one of the fastest-growing
2 businesses in North Texas from the *Dallas Business Journal* and the
3 Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryan was a member of the Masons and the
5 Shriners, and he was also active in the Texas and Southwestern
6 Cattle Raisers Association, the Texas A&M Association of Former
7 Students, the Texas Aggie Corps of Cadets Association, and the
8 National Oil Equipment Manufacturers and Delegates Society; and

9 WHEREAS, A dedicated officer, a caring family man, and an
10 accomplished business leader, Mike Bryan lived a rich and
11 purposeful life surrounded by those he loved, and they will forever
12 carry him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Michael Gene Bryan
15 and extend heartfelt sympathy to his family and many friends; and,
16 be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Michael
20 Gene Bryan.