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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Bell County lost one of its most esteemed community
- 2 leaders with the passing of Leroy Adolph Schiller on January 24,
- 3 2017, at the age of 70; and
- WHEREAS, Leroy Schiller was born in Rosebud on April 8, 1946,
- 5 to Ernest and Leona Schiller; a member of the Rogers High School
- 6 Class of 1964, he earned an associate degree from Central Texas
- 7 College, a bachelor's degree from the University of Mary
- 8 Hardin-Baylor, and a master's degree in criminology from the
- 9 University of Central Texas; and
- 10 WHEREAS, After completing the Texas Department of Public
- 11 Safety Trooper Trainee Academy in 1967, Mr. Schiller served as a
- 12 state trooper for nearly three decades, before retiring in 1995;
- 13 the following year, he won election as Bell County commissioner for
- 14 Precinct 3; he held that office for two terms and subsequently
- 15 served as the county tax appraisal liaison officer for eight years;
- 16 he farmed throughout his life, first alongside his parents and his
- 17 brother, Weldon, and later with his own family; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Schiller gave generously of his time and
- 19 energies to a host of professional and civic organizations; in
- 20 recognition of his many accomplishments, he received Trooper of the
- 21 Year Awards from the Temple Jaycees and the Temple Knights of
- 22 Columbus, a Distinguished Alumni Award from UMHB, and numerous
- 23 other honors; he was also widely admired for his talents as a
- 24 trumpeter and pianist, and he entertained area residents for almost

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- 1 half a century as leader of the East Bell County Bohemian Brass Band
- 2 and Barbecue Society and the Clem Mikeska Barbecue Band; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Mr. Schiller shared nearly four decades of marriage
- 4 with his wife, Karyl, and the couple were blessed with five
- 5 children, Kevin Schiller and his wife, Lindsey, Kent Schiller and
- 6 his wife, Monica, Carrie Walsh and her husband, Tim, Kelly Arnold
- 7 and her husband, Dennis, and Amy Schiller, as well as 10
- 8 grandchildren; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Leroy Schiller lived a life that was rich in
- 10 personal and professional achievements, and he leaves behind a
- 11 legacy of service that will continue to inspire all those who knew
- 12 and loved him; now, therefore, be it
- 13 RESOLVED, That tribute be paid to the memory of Leroy Adolph
- 14 Schiller and that sincere condolences be extended to the members of
- 15 his family and to his many friends; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Leroy
- 19 Schiller.