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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jonny Wade of Jerseyville, Illinois, whose grace and
 courage touched the hearts of countless people, passed away on
 December 24, 2015, at the age of eight; and

WHEREAS, Born in Lubbock on April 9, 2007, Jonathan Ormsby 4 5 Wade II was the cherished son of Kimberly Denise and Jonathan Ormsby Wade; he grew up with the companionship of a twin brother, Jackson, 6 7 and at two years of age, he moved with his family to Mountain View, Missouri, where he developed a love of the outdoors; his greatest 8 joys were fishing and playing baseball, and he became a loyal fan of 9 the St. Louis Cardinals; the family relocated again to Jerseyville, 10 11 Illinois, when he was six, and his witty and outgoing personality 12 soon endeared him to many new friends in that community; and

WHEREAS, Jonny was diagnosed with brain cancer in December 2014; over the next year, he bravely endured several surgeries and many challenging cycles of radiation and chemotherapy, but he never lost his determination to continue his fight against the disease; moreover, he found strength and comfort in his faith when times were most difficult; and

WHEREAS, Along the way, Jonny won the support and admiration of all who learned his story, and he expressed the wish that no other child should suffer from cancer; inspired by Jonny's compassion, his parents founded the Kids Shouldn't Have Cancer Foundation shortly after his passing; and

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WHEREAS, Although the loss of this remarkable young boy has

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1 brought immeasurable heartache to all those who held him dear, the
2 warmth, laughter, and joy that he brought into their lives will
3 never fade from their memories; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jonny Wade and extend
6 sincere condolences to his family, to his friends, and to all who
7 have mourned his passing; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jonny Wade. Fallon

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 778 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 16, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House