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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

13 WHEREAS, Jonny was diagnosed with brain cancer in December  
14 2014; over the next year, he bravely endured several surgeries and  
15 many challenging cycles of radiation and chemotherapy, but he never  
16 lost his determination to continue his fight against the disease;  
17 moreover, he found strength and comfort in his faith when times were  
18 most difficult; and

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

24 WHEREAS, Although the loss of this remarkable young boy has

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.