By: Dean H.R. No. 923

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the untimely passing
- 2 of John Wesley McWhorter of Longview, who died on March 1, 2017, at
- 3 the age of 50; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Johnny and Lynda McWhorter, Wes McWhorter
- 5 was born in Panama City, Florida, on July 15, 1966; he graduated
- 6 from Longview High School and went on to play football at Texas
- 7 Christian University before transferring to Stephen F. Austin State
- 8 University, where he was a pitcher on the baseball team; and
- 9 WHEREAS, After earning his bachelor's degree in kinesiology,
- 10 Mr. McWhorter moved to Dallas and spent the next several years
- 11 working at Chelsea Corner, a restaurant which he co-owned, and
- 12 later as an assistant golf professional and a catering and
- 13 restaurant manager; he eventually returned to Longview, and in
- 14 2006, he discovered what he felt was his life's calling when he
- 15 became a teacher and coach for the Leverett's Chapel Independent
- 16 School District; dedicated to the students and athletes in whom he
- 17 invested countless hours, he remained at LCISD until his retirement
- 18 in August 2016; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Although his loss brings immeasurable sorrow, Wes
- 20 McWhorter's example of selflessness, strength of character, and
- 21 generosity will continue to inspire all who had the privilege of
- 22 knowing him; now, therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of John Wesley McWhorter

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- 1 and extend deepest condolences to the members of his family: to his
- 2 fiancée, Mary Moseley Taylor, and her children, Jacob and Josh; to
- 3 his brother, David McWhorter, and his wife, Susan; to his sister,
- 4 Lori McWhorter Wright, and her husband, Andy; to his nephew,
- 5 William McWhorter; to his nieces, Rylee and Baylee Yates; and to his
- 6 many other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Wes
- 10 McWhorter.