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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The untimely death of Coby Lee Roy Slaughter of Wink 2 on September 7, 2016, at the age of 36, is a tragic loss to his 3 family, his fellow firefighters, and the community he served; and

WHEREAS, Born on August 20, 1980, in Kermit, Coby Slaughter 4 5 was the son of Russ Slaughter and Julie Davis Flores and the older brother of four siblings, Casie, Cayla, Tate, and TyAnn; he 6 graduated in 1999 from Wink High School, where he earned All-State 7 honors as a lineman on the Wildcats football team; he subsequently 8 enlisted in the United States Army, but a medical issue forced him 9 to cut his military career short and return home with an honorable 10 11 discharge; still committed to his dream of serving others, 12 Mr. Slaughter joined the Wink Volunteer Fire Department, where he was a member for nearly 20 years; and 13

14 WHEREAS, A hard worker at every task he took on, Mr. Slaughter made his living in the oilfields and demonstrated a 15 special affinity for machines of all kinds; his greatest passion, 16 however, was the cowboy way of life, and he found himself truly in 17 his element while riding horses and roping cattle; for the last 18 eight years, he operated the family-owned trucking and disposal 19 business, S&W Enterprises, and he also helped out on family ranches 20 21 in Wink and Pyote; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Slaughter married the love of his life, Kama, in 23 2011, and he took great pride in his six children, Makaila, Ethan, 24 Emilee, Remington, Landree, and Laramie; his warm smile and

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1 friendly demeanor endeared him readily to others, and despite his 2 active schedule, he never hesitated to lend assistance to those in 3 need; and

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WHEREAS, Although his time on this earth was far too brief, those who were privileged to know Coby Slaughter will forever find inspiration in the courage and kindness with which he lived his life; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Coby Lee Roy 9 Slaughter and extend deepest condolences to the members of his 10 family: to his wife, Kama Slaughter; to his children, Makaila, 11 Ethan, Emilee, Remington, Landree, and Laramie; to his parents, 12 Russ and Debbie Slaughter and Julie Davis Flores; to his siblings, 13 14 Casie, Cayla, Tate, and TyAnn; to his grandparents, Ronnie and 15 Barbara Slaughter, Gerald Davis, Blu Thornton, and Linda Sue; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further 16

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 Coby Lee 20 Roy Slaughter.

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