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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Residents of Graham are mourning the loss of admired  
2 civic leader Roy Thomas Pitcock Sr., who passed away on March 17,  
3 2017, at the age of 87; and

4           WHEREAS, The son of Louis and Medora Pitcock, Roy Pitcock was  
5 born in Sylvester on March 20, 1929; he graduated from Graham High  
6 School and completed his bachelor's degree in geology at Texas  
7 Christian University; on October 16, 1955, he married Jacqueline  
8 Garrison, and they became the parents of three daughters, Lindy,  
9 Melissa, and Allison; over the years, Mr. Pitcock also knew the joy  
10 of welcoming four grandchildren, Jeffery, Ryan, Bailey, and Jordan,  
11 and five great-grandchildren, Hailey, Thomas, Ben, Lily, and  
12 Hamlin, into his treasured family; and

13           WHEREAS, Mr. Pitcock began his career as a well-site  
14 geologist with his father's company, Rankin, Pitcock, and Karper;  
15 in 1957, he joined another family venture, Louis Pitcock Drilling  
16 Company, and he became president of its successor firm, Pitcock  
17 Incorporated, in 1969, upon the death of his father; over the course  
18 of more than six decades in the industry, he served in numerous  
19 leadership roles, including president of the West Central Texas Oil  
20 and Gas Association and director of the North Texas Oil and Gas  
21 Association, the Independent Petroleum Association of America, the  
22 Texas Alliance of Energy Producers, and the North Texas Geological  
23 Society; he was appointed by three governors to the Interstate Oil  
24 and Gas Compact Commission, and he received the prestigious

1 Wildcatter Award from the WCTOGA and the Distinguished Service  
2 Award from the TAEP; in 1997, he was inducted into the TCU Hall of  
3 Fame; and

4 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his community, Mr. Pitcock  
5 served as a trustee of the Graham Independent School District, as a  
6 member of the Young County Appraisal Tax Board, and as a Graham city  
7 alderman for two terms; he also served as president of the Graham  
8 Lions Club and as a member of the boards of many organizations,  
9 among them the Graham Chamber of Commerce and the Graham Industrial  
10 Association; and

11 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan gave freely of his time and  
12 expertise to better his industry and his community, and he leaves a  
13 record of professional and civic contributions that his loved ones  
14 can remember with pride; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
16 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Roy Thomas Pitcock Sr.  
17 and extend sincere sympathy to all who mourn his passing; and, be it  
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Roy Thomas  
22 Pitcock Sr.