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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Julie Evelyn Dowell of Bullard were deeply saddened by her passing on January 11, 2019, at the age of 65; and

WHEREAS, Julie Dowell was born in Marshall on May 20, 1953, to Greer and Mary Dowell, and she grew up with the companionship of a brother, Dan; she graduated from Hillcrest High School in Dallas in 1971 and went on to enjoy a career in law enforcement, serving as a police officer and detective in Colorado Springs and as a special deputy U.S. marshal for the Northern District of Texas; in addition, she was a co-owner of Dan Lester Drilling Company; and

WHEREAS, An active member of her community, Ms. Dowell served area residents through her involvement in a number of committees and associations, including the boards of the YMCA and the Emerald Bay Club, and she coached softball, volleyball, and soccer at Trinity Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dowell further benefited her fellow citizens as a member of the board of directors for the Angelina & Neches River Authority for 18 years; appointed on October 16, 2000, she went on to serve three terms and distinguished herself in several officer positions, including president of the board; her dedication and hard work were instrumental to the authority's success in managing the quality, development, and conservation of water resources in the Neches River Basin; and

WHEREAS, Although Julie Dowell's death has brought great sorrow to those who held her dear, her life was an inspiring example of the good that one person can accomplish; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Julie Evelyn Dowell and extend heartfelt sympathy to her family and many friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Julie Evelyn Dowell.