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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to a close with the passing of Mountain City mayor Phillip Lee Taylor on March 28, 2019, at the age of 40; and

WHEREAS, Born to Lee and Glennis Taylor on July 10, 1978, in Webster, Phillip Taylor earned the rank of Eagle Scout while attending Hays High School; following his graduation with the Class of 1996, he continued his education at Texas State University, where he majored in criminal justice; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Taylor began his two-decade-long career in public safety as a bailiff with Hays County; in 2000, he joined the county sheriff's office as a corrections officer, and he became a sheriff's deputy the following year; during his tenure with the agency, his responsibilities included supervising and managing crime prevention, community outreach, and public information teams; he also oversaw the School Resource Officer program for three districts in Hays County before the Hays Consolidated Independent School District hired him as its first director of safety and security in 2018; and

WHEREAS, A longtime member of the city council in Mountain City, this dedicated civic leader was named mayor in 2016, and he won reelection to that office two years later; he further contributed to his community as a member of the Kyle Volunteer Fire Department and as a volunteer emergency management specialist with the Hays County Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Above all else, Mayor Taylor was a devoted father to his son, Aiden, with whom he enjoyed taking trips to the beach and pursuing a variety of interests, including sports; and

WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his family and his community, Phillip Taylor made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be fondly remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Mayor Phillip Lee Taylor and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his parents, Lee and Glennis Taylor; to his son, Aiden Taylor, and his mother, Dawn Taylor; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

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