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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, A life lived with joy and enthusiasm drew to a close with the passing of Lon Gillespie of Leming on September 20, 2017, at the age of 65; and

WHEREAS, The son of Truxton and Grace Gillespie, Lonnie Gillespie was born in Pleasanton on October 17, 1951, and he grew up with the companionship of five siblings, Linda, Richard, Sammy, Roger, and Tommy; after graduating from Pleasanton High School in 1970, he began a career in woodworking and carpentry; in 1984, he founded Gillespie Custom Cabinets, and the business has remained in the family ever since; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated public servant, Mr. Gillespie took office as an Atascosa County commissioner in January 2009, and over the course of his tenure, he served his community with great dedication; in his leisure time, he enjoyed going on trail rides, chuck wagon cooking, fishing, and appreciating the great outdoors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gillespie was a devoted husband to his wife, Debbie, and he was the proud father of two sons, Loren and Mark; with the passing years, he had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include four grandchildren, Cody, Auston, Tyler, and Emery; and

WHEREAS, Lonnie Gillespie lived a life that was rich in family, friends, and service, and those who were privileged to share in his love and affection will forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Lon Gillespie and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Debbie Gillespie; to his children, Loren Gillespie and his wife, Tammy, and Mark Gillespie and his wife, Tina; to his grandchildren, Cody, Auston, Tyler, and Emery Gillespie; to his siblings, Linda Kinkler and her husband, Sterling, Dr. Richard Gillespie, Sammy Gillespie and his wife, Bernadette, Roger Gillespie and his wife, Kim, and Tommy Gillespie; and to his many other relatives and 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 Lonnie Gillespie.