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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Wise County lost an admired civic leader with the 2 passing of Dwight Albert Sharpe of Aurora on July 12, 2018, at the 3 age of 79; and

WHEREAS, Born in Ballinger on June 24, 1939, D. A. Sharpe grew 4 5 up in Houston, Sweetwater, San Antonio, and Dallas; he graduated from The University of Texas at Austin, and a new job with IBM 6 Corporation took him to New Orleans, where he met his future wife, 7 the former Suzanne Boggess; following a whirlwind courtship, they 8 9 married on September 30, 1962, and they became the parents of three children, Taylor, Tiffany, and Todd; the couple eventually knew the 10 joy of welcoming into their family seven grandchildren, Katherine, 11 12 Jack, Lily, Sarah, Sam, Luke, and Brooke; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Sharpe became very involved in the Presbyterian 14 Church, and his dedication to Christian ministry led to a long career in that arena; for a decade, he worked in St. Louis, 15 16 Missouri, as managing editor of The Open Letter, a church publication; he moved to Dallas in 1982 to become business manager 17 for Highland Park Presbyterian Church, and he went on to serve as 18 director of stewardship and support services and as executive 19 20 administrator for the senior pastor until retiring in 2004; and

21 WHEREAS, Long active in civic life, Mr. Sharpe continued to 22 work in behalf of the Republican Party after relocating to Wise 23 County in 1999; among numerous leadership roles, he served for 24 eight years as Wise County Republican chair, and he was a state and

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1 national GOP delegate, as well as communications director for State 2 Senate District 30; a fifth-generation Texan, he was a proud member 3 of the Sons of the Republic of Texas; he served as editor of the 4 monthly journal of the Dallas chapter of Sons of the American 5 Revolution, and he wrote articles for several genealogical 6 publications; through extensive research, he was able to trace his 7 lineage to the Mayflower and 7th-century Norway; and

8 WHEREAS, D. A. Sharpe is deeply missed, but those who were 9 privileged to know him will forever remember his great faith, his 10 kindness, and his devotion to his loved ones and to his community; 11 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dwight Albert Sharpe and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dwight 19 Albert Sharpe.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 319 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 19, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House