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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, David Varnado has distinguished himself over the
- 2 course of a long career as a country music fiddler, winning many
- 3 accolades along the way; and
- WHEREAS, A Port Arthur native, David Varnado started playing
- 5 the fiddle when he was only five, and he went on to study with Cajun
- 6 player Rufus Thibodeaux and country great Johnny Gimble; he began
- 7 touring with Jo-El Sonnier in his teens and later joined Ty
- 8 England's band; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Varnado performed at the Grand Ole Opry during a
- 10 five-year stint with Johnny Paycheck and a subsequent decade-long
- 11 tenure with the legendary Loretta Lynn; he later played with Chris
- 12 Ledoux; over the years, he has backed many of the biggest names in
- 13 country music at awards shows, concerts, and other events; in 2018,
- 14 he was named Fiddler of the Year at both the Texas Country Music
- 15 Awards and the East Texas Music Awards; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Through his musical talent, David Varnado has
- 17 brought joy to innumerable people, and he may indeed take pride in
- 18 his professional achievements; now, therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby honor David Varnado for his accomplishments in
- 21 music and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success;
- 22 and, be it further
- 23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 24 prepared for Mr. Varnado as an expression of high regard by the

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1 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 378 was adopted by the House on March 13, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House