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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Young County lost an admired civic

leader with the passing of former county judge Ken Andrews of Graham

3 on February 9, 2019, at the age of 80; and

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WHEREAS, The son of Ben and Dorothy Andrews, Ken Andrews was

5 born in Young County on July 10, 1938; during his youth, he attained

6 the rank of Eagle Scout, and he graduated in 1956 from Graham High

7 School; as a student at The University of Texas, he joined the

8 Silver Spurs and helped care for Bevo VII; he earned both a

9 bachelor's degree and a law degree and became a proud Texas Ex,

10 rarely missing a broadcast of a UT sporting event; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1965, Mr. Andrews began practicing law in Graham;

he served as county attorney from 1972 to 1984, and in 1989, he

stepped in to complete the term of a county judge who resigned; he

14 later won election to the position and served for two terms; in

15 addition, he was president of the Rotary Club and served on the

16 board of Graham Savings & Loan; he advocated for mental health

17 resources as chair of Helen Farabee Centers and as a member of the

18 board of the Texas Council of Community Centers; moreover, he was a

19 member of the Young County Democrats and a deacon and elder at the

20 First Presbyterian Church; a farmer and rancher as well as an

21 attorney, he never retired; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Andrews shared a rewarding marriage of 47 years

23 with his wife, Mary, before her passing; he was the proud father of

24 two daughters, Jennifer and Katherine, and he delighted in spending

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- 1 time with his treasured grandchildren, as well as members of his
- 2 extended family; over the years, his warm, gracious nature endeared
- 3 him to countless people, and he quietly extended help to many in
- 4 need; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community, Ken
- 6 Andrews made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved ones
- 7 and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be fondly
- 8 remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of the Honorable Ken
- 11 Andrews and extend sincere sympathy to his family and friends; and,
- 12 be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ken
- 16 Andrews.