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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Steven Patrick Truitt on September

2 21, 2018, at the age of 62, has brought a great loss to the family

3 and many friends of this esteemed Fort Worth resident; and

WHEREAS, Born in Midland on June 7, 1956, Steve Truitt was the

5 son of Robert and Dorothy Truitt, and he grew up with three older

6 siblings, Robert, Brent, and Cynthia; after graduating from Nolan

7 Catholic High School in Fort Worth, he received a bachelor's degree

8 in technical theater/theater design and technology from

9 Southwestern University in 1980; he married Deborah Barr in 1983,

10 and they went on to share a rewarding union that spanned three and a

11 half decades; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Truitt began his distinguished 37-year career

13 in technical theater in Austin, where he was employed as a stagehand

14 at The University of Texas Performing Arts Center before going on to

15 serve as master electrician at the Paramount Theatre; in 1997, he

16 was named the technical director of Bass Performance Hall in Fort

17 Worth, a position he held until his death; highly revered for his

18 skills in lighting design, he worked with a number of well-known

19 performers over the years, and he used his talents to benefit many

20 dance companies in Austin, Fort Worth, and Dallas; moreover, he

21 belonged to the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage

22 Employees; and

WHEREAS, A descendant of the "Old Three Hundred" in Stephen

24 F. Austin's first colony, Mr. Truitt was passionate about Texas

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- 1 history, and his myriad other interests included photography,
- 2 studying comedy, building and playing guitars, and operating his
- 3 ham radio; he also delighted in spending time at the family ranch
- 4 near Stephenville; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Possessed of a warm and generous nature, Steve
- 6 Truitt brightened the world for all who knew him, and he will
- 7 forever be remembered with great affection and admiration; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Steven Patrick Truitt
- 11 and extend sincere condolences to his relatives 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 Steven
- 16 Patrick Truitt.