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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Countless lives were touched by the kindness and 2 generosity of John Steven Mostyn of Houston, who passed away on 3 November 15, 2017, at the age of 46; and

WHEREAS, John Steven Mostyn was born on March 25, 1971, in 4 5 Perth, Australia, to George and Glenda Jean Mostyn; the family soon moved to East Texas, where Steve was raised with the companionship 6 of a brother and a beloved sister, Jaculyn, whom he adored and 7 admired; Steve was a very bright and outgoing child; upon 8 graduating from high school in Whitehouse, Texas, he proudly 9 attended The University of Texas at Austin, where he earned a 10 11 bachelor's degree in business administration; Steve was admitted to 12 South Texas College of Law, where he obtained a juris doctorate degree in 1996 and graduated cum laude; and 13

14 WHEREAS, Determined to use his skills and legal acumen to 15 help others, Steve founded a private law practice in 1999, 16 specializing in civil litigation; his expertise notably influenced 17 business-to-consumer practices within the medical and insurance 18 industries while obtaining significant recoveries for individuals 19 and families; and

20 WHEREAS, Steve met and fell head over heels in love with 21 attorney Amber Anderson; they married in 2006 and began working as 22 partners in the Mostyn Law Firm; the couple demonstrated a visibly 23 deep bond, making them nearly inseparable; Steve was a devoted 24 family man and an enormously proud father of two beautiful

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1 children, Mitchell and Avalyn, with whom he enjoyed countless
2 sporting activities, travels, and family adventures; and

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3 WHEREAS, Steve cared deeply for the most vulnerable residents of Texas; he founded the Mostyn Moreno Educational Foundation, 4 5 which was named in honor of Steve's mother, the late Glenda Jean Mostyn, and in memory of his good friend, State Representative Joe 6 Moreno; the foundation has helped thousands of Texas children with 7 8 special needs; Steve's philanthropy continued as he became an ongoing donor to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, and he 9 was also the largest individual benefactor to the Special Olympics 10 of Texas for the construction of the 20,000-square-foot Special 11 12 Olympics headquarters in Austin that was named after Amber's 13 mother, Christi Stanley; and

WHEREAS, Along with his wife and their talented legal team, Steve helped thousands of families recover from the catastrophic damage of Hurricanes Rita, Ike, and Sandy; highly respected by his peers, he became the youngest president of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, and he later founded the Texas Association of Consumer Lawyers in 2014; and

20 WHEREAS, Steve was well-known as a prominent influencer in 21 the political landscape of Texas and throughout the country; and

22 WHEREAS, Steve Mostyn will forever be regarded as a strong 23 voice for the voiceless, a fierce fighter for justice, and a 24 tireless advocate committed to the greater good; now, therefore, be 25 it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life and legacy of John Steven

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H.R. No. 970 1 Mostyn on his birthday, March 25, 2019, and extend sincere 2 condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

4 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 5 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Steve 6 Mostyn.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 970 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 25, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House