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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived may help to comfort
- 2 those saddened by the death of James T. Washington of San Antonio on
- 3 October 25, 2018, at the age of 75; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Lillie Mae and Prezell Washington, James
- 5 Washington was born on March 14, 1943, in Kerens, where he grew up
- 6 with 14 siblings, Lillie B., Herbert, Rayfield, L. B., David Lee,
- 7 Christine, Ross, J. T., John, Vernon, Ivory, Nathaniel, Annie, and
- 8 Lewis; he graduated from Kerens High School and went on to earn a
- 9 bachelor's degree from Paul Quinn College and a master's degree from
- 10 Baylor University; he later completed mid-management and
- 11 superintendent certifications from Texas A&M University-Commerce;
- 12 and
- WHEREAS, Answering his nation's call to duty, Mr. Washington
- 14 served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War; he received a number
- 15 of citations, including the Army Commendation Medal, two Bronze
- 16 Stars, and a Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster, and was honorably
- 17 discharged at the rank of sergeant; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Washington went on to enjoy a rewarding career
- 19 in the field of education, and he served as a teacher, coach, and
- 20 administrator in the Waco, Wichita Falls, and North East
- 21 Independent School Districts; following his retirement, he taught
- 22 as an adjunct professor at St. Philip's College in San Antonio; and
- 23 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Mr. Washington shared a
- 24 rewarding marriage with his wife, Audrey, that spanned 50 years,

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- 1 and he took great pride in his sons, James, Aubrey, and Jason, and
- 2 his grandchildren, Trinity, Jaxson, and Jayla; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Although James Washington is deeply missed, those he
- 4 has left behind will forever find inspiration in his generosity,
- 5 his strength of character, and his dedication to his loved ones and
- 6 to his fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of James T. Washington
- 9 and extend heartfelt sympathy to his relatives and friends; and, be
- 10 it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of James
- 14 T. Washington.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1147 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 18, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House