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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Chester are gathering on April 12,
2 2019, for a ceremony commemorating the renaming of the baseball
3 field at Chester High School in honor of the late Alexander Neal
4 Johnson; and

5 WHEREAS, Alex Johnson attended Chester ISD throughout his
6 childhood and graduated with honors in 2009; a well-liked classmate
7 and a talented athlete, he especially loved baseball, and his
8 irrepressible determination and can-do spirit made him a joy to
9 coach; he was a young man who always looked to the future with
10 optimism and who made every effort to uplift those around him; and

11 WHEREAS, After graduating, Mr. Johnson gave back to his
12 community through his service as a member of the Chester Volunteer
13 Fire Department and as a volunteer coach for Little League teams; he
14 enjoyed playing ragball for charitable events, and he cherished the
15 longtime friendships he made through the sport; he was also known
16 for his deep compassion for children, and he donated every month to
17 the St. Jude organization in honor of his "healthy nephews"; his
18 tragic passing in May 2013, at the age of 21, was a profound loss to
19 all who knew and loved him; and

20 WHEREAS, Although his life ended far too soon, Alex Johnson
21 made a lasting impact in his community, and the naming of a baseball
22 field in his honor is a fitting memorial to this exceptional young
23 man and to the legacy he left behind; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commemorate the rededication of the baseball
2 field at Chester High School in honor of Alexander Neal Johnson and
3 pay tribute to the memory of Alex Johnson; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for Mr. Johnson's family as an expression of high regard
6 by the Texas House of Representatives.