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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A life lived with joy and enthusiasm drew to a close
- 2 with the passing of Lon Gillespie of Leming on September 20, 2017,
- 3 at the age of 65; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The son of Truxton and Grace Gillespie, Lonnie
- 5 Gillespie was born in Pleasanton on October 17, 1951, and he grew up
- 6 with the companionship of five siblings, Linda, Richard, Sammy,
- 7 Roger, and Tommy; after graduating from Pleasanton High School in
- 8 1970, he began a career in woodworking and carpentry; in 1984, he
- 9 founded Gillespie Custom Cabinets, and the business has remained in
- 10 the family ever since; and
- 11 WHEREAS, A dedicated public servant, Mr. Gillespie took
- 12 office as an Atascosa County commissioner in January 2009, and over
- 13 the course of his tenure, he served his community with great
- 14 dedication; in his leisure time, he enjoyed going on trail rides,
- 15 chuck wagon cooking, fishing, and appreciating the great outdoors;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Gillespie was a devoted husband to his wife,
- 18 Debbie, and he was the proud father of two sons, Loren and Mark;
- 19 with the passing years, he had the pleasure of seeing his family
- 20 grow to include four grandchildren, Cody, Auston, Tyler, and Emery;
- 21 and
- 22 WHEREAS, Lonnie Gillespie lived a life that was rich in
- 23 family, friends, and service, and those who were privileged to
- 24 share in his love and affection will forever hold him close in their

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- 1 hearts; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Lon Gillespie and
- 4 extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his
- 5 wife, Debbie Gillespie; to his children, Loren Gillespie and his
- 6 wife, Tammy, and Mark Gillespie and his wife, Tina; to his
- 7 grandchildren, Cody, Auston, Tyler, and Emery Gillespie; to his
- 8 siblings, Linda Kinkler and her husband, Sterling, Dr. Richard
- 9 Gillespie, Sammy Gillespie and his wife, Bernadette, Roger
- 10 Gillespie and his wife, Kim, and Tommy Gillespie; and to his many
- 11 other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lonnie
- 15 Gillespie.