## R E S OLUTION

WHEREAS, The thousands of deaths caused by COVID-19 in Texas have created a tremendous void in families, communities, and workplaces throughout the state; among those who lost their lives in the pandemic was Randall Sims, a dedicated and well-respected employee of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, who passed away on January 3, 2021, at the age of 57; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sims began his career at TDCJ in October 1992 and was assigned to the French Robertson Unit in Abilene; he later transferred to the Havins Unit before being promoted to sergeant and then to lieutenant at the San Saba Unit; he briefly retired in 2013 before rejoining the Havins Unit in October 2017; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Sims enjoyed the love and support of his wife of 37 years, Tina, and he took great pride in his five children, Malinda, Chrystal, Jennifer, Randy, and Jessica, and his 20 grandchildren; active in his community, he regularly participated in livestock shows and other events that benefited the Mullin Independent School District; over the course of his 28 years at TDCJ, he served as a mentor to many and was highly esteemed for his selfless and generous nature; and

WHEREAS, Randall Sims faithfully and ably performed his duties throughout his tenure with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and he will long be remembered with great admiration by all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas

1 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of 2 Randall Sims and extend deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Randall Sims.

