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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The 100th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly a cause for celebration, and August Pahmiyer marked this special milestone on August 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Born in Karnes City in 1921, Mr. Pahmiyer answered his nation's call to duty during World War II, joining the United States Army in 1942; he served with the 681st and 821st Tank Destroyer Battalions and with the U.S. Army Military Police; in the course of his duties, he participated in the Allied invasion of Europe, going ashore at Omaha Beach in Normandy 20 days after D-Day, and serving as a rifleman and supply truck driver until the surrender of Nazi Germany in May 1945; in recognition of his valiant service in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, and Central Europe, he was awarded four Bronze Stars; and

WHEREAS, After the war, Mr. Pahmiyer settled in Brenham and worked at Appel Motors for nearly four decades; he and his wife, the former Ella Schulz, shared a rewarding marriage that spanned 32 years before her passing in 1978; his family also includes his daughter, Janet Long, and stepson, Clarence Gerke; and

WHEREAS, In commemoration of his centennial birthday, Washington County designated August 26 as August Pahmiyer Day, which included a Drive-by and Wave event and a gathering at

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St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Brenham; in addition, a tribute by the Patriot Guard Riders of East Texas took place at the Atria Copeland senior living community in Tyler, where Mr. Pahmiyer has resided since earlier in 2021; and

WHEREAS, August Pahmiyer has earned the admiration and affection of countless people over the past century, and it is truly a pleasure to honor him for having joined an elite group of Texans who can look back on 100 years of meaningful achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 87th Texas Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate August Pahmiyer on his 100th birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Pahmiyer as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.