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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to a close with the passing of David Frank Prasifka of Jourdanton on July 4, 2020, at the age of 58; and

WHEREAS, The son of Malvin and Marty Prasifka, David Prasifka was born on June 21, 1962, in Pleasanton, Texas; he learned the value of hard work at an early age by helping out at his father's auto repair shop, sweeping floors, performing mechanical work, and driving the tow truck; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Prasifka was a valued employee of San Miguel Electric Cooperative for more than three decades; along the way, he served as a volunteer firefighter in Jourdanton, leading the department as fire chief for over 25 years; upon retiring from the cooperative, he took on the position of emergency management coordinator for Atascosa County; he was at the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, working tirelessly to help his community until he succumbed to complications of the disease himself; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Prasifka was joined in matrimony to Donna Prasifka in January 1994, and the couple shared a rewarding marriage of 26 years; he took great pride in his son, Michael, and his three stepsons, Derek, Ryan, and Beau, and he had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include five grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Admired for his humility, his generosity, and his dedication to helping others, David Prasifka lived a caring and purposeful life, and he leaves behind a record of service that his loved ones can remember with pride; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of David Frank Prasifka and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Donna; to his son, Michael Prasifka, and his wife, Ronni; to his stepsons, Derek, Ryan, and Beau Thompson; to his daughter-in-law, Mandee Gonzalez; to his grandchildren, Isaiah Cantu, Hailey, Kristen, and Lily Thompson, and Ronny Prasifka; to his brother, Rusty Prasifka, and his wife, Diana; to his niece, Allison Prasifka; to his sister, Sandra Lucas, and her husband, James; and to his other relatives and many friends; 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 on this day, it do so in the memory of David Prasifka.