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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of George Granger
MacDonald Jr. of Kerrville were deeply saddened by his passing on
June 17, 2020, at the age of 65; and

WHEREAS, The son of George and Jean MacDonald, Granger MacDonald was born in Austin on January 18, 1955; he earned diplomas from McCallum High School, the New Mexico Military Institute, and The University of Texas at Austin; along the way, he worked at his family's residential construction business, where he would eventually become a partner; and

WHEREAS, After Mr. MacDonald took over the 10 MacDonald 11 Companies, the business began to focus on the need for affordable 12 housing in rural communities, and in less than a decade, it was recognized as one of the nation's most successful home builders 13 14 specializing in multifamily developments; Mr. MacDonald served his fellow professionals through his leadership positions with the 15 Texas Affiliation of Affordable Housing Providers, the Texas 16 Association of Builders, and the National Association of Home 17 Builders, and in 2019, he was inducted into the Texas Housing Hall 18 of Honor; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Mr. MacDonald also contributed to the greater 21 community; while residing in Austin, he served on the city's 22 Environmental Board and Planning Commission and was a volunteer 23 with Austin Aqua Festival and Laguna Gloria Art Museum Fiesta; in 24 Kerrville, he was a member of the vestry of St. Peter's Episcopal

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Church and the boards of Habitat for Humanity, Schreiner
University, and the Upper Guadalupe River Authority; and

3 WHEREAS, Above all else, Mr. MacDonald was devoted to his 4 wife, Kathy, and their family, which included a son, Justin, two 5 daughters, Christine and Sarah, and three grandchildren, Mary 6 Kathleen, Brooks, and Finnegan; and

7 WHEREAS, An engaged citizen, a dedicated family man, and an 8 admired business leader, Granger MacDonald leaves behind a record 9 of achievements that his loved ones can remember with pride; now, 10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of George Granger 13 MacDonald Jr. and extend heartfelt sympathy to his relatives and 14 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 this day, it do so in memory of Granger MacDonald.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 8 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 10, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House