By: Murr H.R. No. 8

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of George Granger

2 MacDonald Jr. of Kerrville were deeply saddened by his passing on

3 June 17, 2020, at the age of 65; and

WHEREAS, The son of George and Jean MacDonald, Granger

5 MacDonald was born in Austin on January 18, 1955; he earned diplomas

6 from McCallum High School, the New Mexico Military Institute, and

7 The University of Texas at Austin; along the way, he worked at his

8 family's residential construction business, where he would

9 eventually become a partner; and

10 WHEREAS, After Mr. MacDonald took over the 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

13 recognized as one of the nation's most successful home builders

14 specializing in multifamily developments; Mr. MacDonald served his

15 fellow professionals through his leadership positions with the

16 Texas Affiliation of Affordable Housing Providers, the Texas

17 Association of Builders, and the National Association of Home

18 Builders, and in 2019, he was inducted into the Texas Housing Hall

19 of Honor; and

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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- 1 Church and the boards of Habitat for Humanity, Schreiner
- 2 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
- 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
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Granger
- 18 MacDonald.