RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Gary Gene Charles Johnston of Bandera on December 15,
- 3 2020, at the age of 80; and
- WHEREAS, The son of Magnus and Louise Johnston, Gary Johnston
- 5 was born on August 10, 1940, in San Antonio; he grew up on his
- 6 family's ranch in Bandera with the companionship of his sister,
- 7 Kathy, and his brother, William; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Johnston enjoyed a rewarding career with the
- 9 Texas Department of Transportation that spanned three decades;
- 10 after his retirement from TxDOT, he worked for another 30 years as a
- 11 real estate broker and operated his own firm in Bandera; as a
- 12 rancher, he helped to ensure that the Johnston Family Farm was added
- 13 to the Texas Family Land Heritage Registry; along the way, he
- 14 attended San Antonio College and earned two degrees, the first in
- 15 business and the second in real estate management; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Highly engaged in his community, Mr. Johnston
- 17 contributed his time and talents to numerous organizations,
- 18 including the Bandera County Chamber of Commerce and the Bandera
- 19 ISD Education Foundation, and he was active with the Bandera County
- 20 Republican party; moreover, he was a lifelong congregant of
- 21 St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Bandera; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Johnston benefited from the love and support of
- 23 his wife, Claire Beecroft Johnston, who preceded him in death, and
- 24 of Patricia Jeane Vawter Johnston Renton, with whom he raised three

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- 1 children, Jordan, Daria, and Marcus; through the years, he had the
- 2 pleasure of seeing his family grow to include six grandchildren and
- 3 four great-grandchildren; in his leisure time, he enjoyed reading
- 4 and traveling with his close friend, Angelika Inzanti; and
- 5 WHEREAS, While the passing of Gary Johnston brings
- 6 immeasurable sorrow to his loved ones, he leaves behind a legacy
- 7 that will long be treasured by all those who held him dear; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Gary Gene Charles
- 11 Johnston and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family
- 12 and to his many friends; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gary Gene
- 16 Charles Johnston.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 21 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 10, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House