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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Navarro County has lost a revered member of the
2 community with the passing of Dr. Kent Rogers, the county health
3 director and longtime Corsicana school board president, on January
4 30, 2021, at the age of 75; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on December 8, 1945, in Arkansas City, Kansas,
6 Kent Rogers grew up in Mount Pleasant; he studied at Rice University
7 and earned his medical degree from The University of Texas
8 Southwestern Medical School, and following two years of service in
9 the United States Navy, he completed his residency at Parkland
10 Hospital; and

11 WHEREAS, For several decades, Dr. Rogers practiced as a
12 physician at various Corsicana medical providers, including
13 Medical Arts Clinic, Trinity Clinic, Medical and Surgical
14 Associates of Corsicana, and Navarro Regional Hospital, where he
15 served as the institution's chief of staff and as medical director
16 of its ICU; for 30 years, he also volunteered as a team physician
17 for the Corsicana Tigers football program, a role he heartily
18 enjoyed; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Rogers's interest in public education led him to
20 run for a seat on the Corsicana ISD Board of Trustees, and his more
21 than 20-year tenure included presiding over the board from 1992 to
22 2010 and again from 2014 to 2021; he further benefited his fellow
23 Texans through his service as director of the Corsicana/Navarro
24 County Health Department and medical director of The Village at

1 Heritage Oaks Retirement and Assisted Living Facility; over the
2 past year, as one of Corsicana's leading health authorities, he had
3 been instrumental in helping the community to navigate the COVID-19
4 crisis; in all his endeavors, he enjoyed the love and support of his
5 wife, Donna Jo, and his three children, Cyndi, Susan, and Mark; and

6 WHEREAS, A man of rare compassion, character, and wisdom,
7 Dr. Kent Rogers earned a special place in the hearts of innumerable
8 people, and he leaves behind a legacy that will forever be
9 cherished; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Kent Rogers and
12 extend deepest sympathy to his loved ones and many friends; and, be
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Kent
17 Rogers.