

By: Bell of Kaufman

H.R. No. 159

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Friends and family will long cherish their memories  
2 of Joe Edmon Cox of Kaufman, who passed away on November 19, 2020,  
3 at the age of 99; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Kaufman on February 18, 1921, Joe Cox was the  
5 son of John P. and Eula Mapp Cox, and he grew up with the  
6 companionship of eight siblings, Emmitt, Lonnie, Ethel, Geneva,  
7 Hazel, Sally, Dorothy, and Mary Lou; in 1942, he answered his  
8 nation's call to duty and joined the United States Army; he was  
9 stationed in several locations in Africa and Europe during World  
10 War II, and at the time of his passing, he was Kaufman County's  
11 oldest veteran of that war; and

12           WHEREAS, Following his return to civilian life, Mr. Cox  
13 established Kaufman Mattress Factory, which he owned and operated  
14 until 2001; he also served his community as a school bus driver for  
15 many years; in his leisure time, he enjoyed raising cattle and  
16 visiting local coffee shops to socialize and "solve the world's  
17 problems" with his friends; and

18           WHEREAS, Mr. Cox and his wife, Alice, shared a rewarding  
19 marriage that spanned 72 years until the time of her passing in  
20 2018; he took great pride in his children, Larry, Sandra, and  
21 Sharon, and he had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include  
22 nine grandchildren, Casey, Julie, Maurie, Megan, Meredith,  
23 Madalyn, Justin, Alicia, and Dustin, and seven  
24 great-grandchildren, Max, Charli Jo, Ava, Emma, Eleanor, Henry, and

1 Rylie; he could often be found supporting and cheering for them at  
2 all of their sporting events and activities; a man of faith, he was  
3 a valued congregant of the Kaufman Church of Christ; and

4 WHEREAS, A devoted family man and a proud military veteran,  
5 Joe Cox lived a rich and purposeful life, and he leaves behind a  
6 legacy that will forever be treasured by all those who had the  
7 pleasure to know him; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Joe Edmon Cox and  
10 extend sincere condolences to his loved ones; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joe Edmon  
14 Cox.