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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of William Raymond Arrington Jr. of Austin on October 17,
- 3 2020, at the age of 75; and
- WHEREAS, Born in Dallas on January 12, 1945, Bill Arrington
- 5 was the adopted son of William and Gladys Arrington, and he grew up
- 6 with a sister, Anita; in 1963, he graduated from Highland Park High
- 7 School and went on to attend Southwest Texas State College;
- 8 answering his nation's call to duty, he joined the U.S. Navy in 1965
- 9 and served as a fire control technician until 1969; he received the
- 10 National Defense Service Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal with
- 11 one Bronze Star; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Bill Arrington worked for a variety of
- 13 organizations, including Neeley Vending Company, Highland Lanes,
- 14 and Greyhound bus lines; he was subsequently employed by the United
- 15 States Postal Service, and he enjoyed a career as a letter carrier
- 16 that spanned 26 years, until his retirement in 2013; in his leisure
- 17 time, he delighted in watching Jeopardy!, NCIS, and his favorite
- 18 movie, Jumanji, and he was a devoted fan of the Seattle Seahawks;
- 19 and
- WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Bill Arrington benefited from
- 21 the love and support of his wife, Carol, and he took pride in his
- 22 three children, Charla, Yancy, and Stacey; through the years, he
- 23 had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include four
- 24 grandchildren, Ashley, Hailey, Trevor, and Tiffany, and two

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- 1 great-grandchildren, Dazdyn and Maverick, and later in life he was
- 2 delighted to discover that he had three biological siblings,
- 3 Michael, Anita, and Patrick; he treasured time spent with his
- 4 beloved cat, Gibbs, and he held the memories of his cats Abbey,
- 5 Smokey, Callie, and Poco close in his heart; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Possessed of a quick wit and delightful sense of
- 7 humor, Bill Arrington brightened the world for all who knew him, and
- 8 his loved ones will always remember him with great admiration and
- 9 affection; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of William Raymond
- 12 Arrington Jr. and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his
- 13 family and to his many friends; and, be 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 Bill
- 17 Arrington.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 335 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 25, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House