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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texas Department of Public Safety Corporal Michael 2 L. Schulze, an esteemed member of the Pine Springs community and a friend to many, passed away on March 29, 2021, at the age of 58; and 3 WHEREAS, The son of Miles and Gaynelle Schulze, Mike Schulze 4 5 was born on January 1, 1963, in Atlanta, Georgia; he grew up in Dallas with the companionship of his brother, Carl, and he was an 6 7 active member of the youth group at Emanuel Lutheran Church; after attending Lake Highlands High School, he studied criminal justice 8 9 in college while working as an intern with the Port Aransas Police Department, and in 1986, he graduated from Sam Houston State 10

University; and

WHEREAS, From 1987 to 1993, Corporal Schulze was employed by
the Bedford Police Department, and he went on to enjoy a rewarding
career with Texas DPS that spanned more than two and a half decades;
after graduating from the Texas DPS Academy in 1994, he worked as a
criminal investigator in Oak Cliff, and in 1997, he transferred to
Andrews; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Schulze held a deep appreciation for the desolate beauty and neighborly spirit of West Texas communities, and in 2004, he accepted a position at the DPS station in Pine Springs, where he served for 17 years until his retirement as a corporal, just days before his death; over the course of his tenure in Pine Springs, he rescued lost or injured hikers at Guadalupe

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Mountains National Park, responded to traffic incidents in the

- 1 area, and handled border security cases; and
- WHEREAS, Highly dedicated to his community, Corporal Schulze
- 3 voluntarily took on the role of resource officer with the Dell City
- 4 Independent School District, and he worked tirelessly to protect
- 5 students and staff by serving as security at school events,
- 6 implementing a number of safety initiatives, and supervising
- 7 evacuation drills; moreover, he made sure that others regularly
- 8 checked on the school while he received medical treatment in
- 9 Dallas; among his many achievements, he was recognized by the
- 10 school board for his outstanding contributions; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Soon after transferring to Pine Springs, Corporal
- 12 Schulze met his future wife, Lisa Garcia, and the couple shared a
- 13 fulfilling partnership of 16 years; he was a devoted father of four
- 14 children, Alyssa, Maris, Mikenzi, and Macy, and his treasured
- 15 family grew to include four stepchildren, Liza, Leilani, Andrea,
- 16 and Aaron, as well as two grandchildren, Madden and Claire, and four
- 17 step-grandchildren, Kyrie, Kash, Kallie, Koa, and Koi; he delighted
- 18 in barbecuing, collecting Western art, and attending Texas Rangers
- 19 and Dallas Cowboys games; and
- WHEREAS, Admired for his kindness, integrity, and unwavering
- 21 dedication to his community, Mike Schulze embodied the highest
- 22 ideals of the law enforcement profession, and he leaves behind a
- 23 record of service that his loved ones can remember with pride; now,
- 24 therefore, be it
- 25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 26 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Michael L. Schulze and
- 27 extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be it

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- 1 further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 4 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Corporal
- 5 Mike Schulze.