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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and adventurous life drew to a close with the
2 passing of Scott Lawrence Self, former mayor of Rockwall, on June
3 30, 2020, at the age of 70; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Victoria on May 9, 1950, Scott Self was the
5 son of Dr. Stanley Allen Self and Gloria Rust Self; in 1963, he
6 moved with his family to Fort Worth, where he graduated from Paschal
7 High School in 1968; during his years in Fort Worth, he first became
8 acquainted with sailing, his lifelong passion; at age 17, he sailed
9 a small boat alone from Galveston to Corpus Christi, and he later
10 made the journey across the Atlantic Ocean twice; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Self graduated with an honors degree in
12 economics from Texas Christian University in 1972; while a student
13 there, he met his future wife, Jan, whom he wed on June 9, 1973; the
14 couple became the proud parents of two children, Billy and
15 Chandler, and were further blessed with four grandchildren,
16 Elliott, Julia, Alexandra, and Isla; and

17 WHEREAS, After college, Mr. Self went to work as a
18 stockbroker for Merrill Lynch in Dallas for four years before
19 striking out on his own and purchasing a company that he later
20 renamed ProSoap; he and his wife moved to Chandlers Landing on the
21 shore of Lake Ray Hubbard, where he was able to pursue his love of
22 sailboat racing; his stellar racing career included winning the
23 1973 North American Men's Sailing Championship, the double-handed
24 division of the 2005 Transpac race, and the 2005, 2006, and 2012

1 Harvest Moon Regatta, along with making outstanding showings at
2 many other competitions around the world; throughout his life, he
3 introduced numerous people to sailing and welcomed thousands of
4 individuals aboard his boat; and

5 WHEREAS, An engaged citizen of Rockwall, Mr. Self was elected
6 as the city's mayor in 2000, after previously holding the offices of
7 county treasurer and city council member; he later served as a
8 Rockwall County commissioner from 2003 to 2006, and he was also a
9 volunteer firefighter, president of the Rockwall Firefighters
10 Association, and a board member of Rockwall County Helping Hands;
11 other organizations that benefited from his involvement included
12 Rockwall United Way, the YMCA, the Rockwall Noon Rotary Club, and
13 the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Chandlers
14 Landing Yacht Club; and

15 WHEREAS, Scott Self inspired everyone who knew him with his
16 devotion to his family, his contributions to his community, and his
17 zest for the exhilarating sport of sailing, and he leaves behind a
18 legacy that will long be treasured; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Scott Lawrence Self
21 and extend sincere sympathy to his loved ones; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Scott Self.