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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends were deeply saddened by the
- 2 passing of Ronnie S. Jones of San Angelo on December 5, 2019, at the
- 3 age of 77; and
- WHEREAS, Born on July 6, 1942, in Mexia, Ronnie Jones was the
- 5 son of Ann and Elwood Jones; he grew up in Snyder with the
- 6 companionship of four siblings, Larry, Norman, Dolly, and Gary;
- 7 after playing baseball for Odessa College on full scholarship, he
- 8 was signed to play professionally for the Houston Astros
- 9 organization; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In August 1971, he was accepted into the 26th Game
- 11 Warden Training Academy at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department;
- 12 upon his graduation in 1972, he was stationed in Vernon, where he
- 13 served for seven years as a state game warden; he then took a job as
- 14 game warden at the W. T. Waggoner Ranch, one of the largest
- 15 privately owned ranches in the country; in his free time, Mr. Jones
- 16 enjoyed outdoor activities, such as baseball, golf, hunting, and
- 17 fishing, especially with his friends and family; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Jones wed Patricia Stanley in Odessa in 1964;
- 19 the couple were blessed with three children, Cheri, Bobby, and
- 20 Steve, and their family later grew to include six grandchildren;
- 21 after his marriage ended, Mr. Jones was fortunate enough to find
- 22 love again with his beloved companion of 15 years, Joyce Joy; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Although Ronnie Jones is greatly missed, he left his
- 24 family and friends with a wealth of memories that they will forever

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- 1 treasure; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ronnie S. Jones and
- 4 extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his
- 5 companion, Joyce Joy; to his children, Cheri Roberts, Bobby Jones,
- 6 and Steve Jones; to his grandchildren, Craig Roberts, Stephanie
- 7 Roberts, and Ryan, Lauren, Sydni Rae, and Reid Jones; to his
- 8 siblings, Dolly Echols and Gary Meredith; and to his other
- 9 relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ronnie
- 13 Jones.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 999 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 8, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House