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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Through his swift actions, UPS driver Daniel 2 Carmical played a crucial role in helping to rescue a Longview 3 resident from his burning home on May 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, On that day, because of a logistical package-loading 4 error, Mr. Carmical was making deliveries to the Pine Tree 5 neighborhood, which is not on his regular route, at about 8 p.m.; as 6 7 he approached a house to drop off a package, he detected the smell of smoke, and he then noticed flames shooting out of the roof vents 8 of a residence across the street; Mr. Carmical ran to the front 9 door, kicked it in, and entered the home yelling "UPS" in an effort 10 to alert anyone who might be inside; homeowner Ben Slater, who was 11 12 completely unware that his house was on fire, heard Mr. Carmical, and the two men were able to safely exit; and 13

14 WHEREAS, Shortly after, Longview firefighters arrived on the 15 scene and accessed the attic, encountering heavy smoke and flames 16 before they extinguished the blaze; Longview Fire Marshal Kevin May 17 credited Mr. Carmical and his own team for their fast and 18 courageous efforts that prevented anyone from being injured and the 19 home from being completely destroyed; and

20 WHEREAS, By acting quickly and decisively when every second 21 counted, Daniel Carmical helped to prevent a crisis situation from 22 becoming a tragedy, and his efforts indeed merit special 23 recognition; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commend Daniel Carmical for helping to rescue a 2 fellow citizen from a burning home and extend to him sincere best 3 wishes for the future; and, be it further

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4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 5 prepared for Mr. Carmical as an expression of high regard by the 6 Texas House of Representatives.