## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Residents of Collin County are mourning the untimely
- 2 loss of Constable-Elect Mike Vance, who passed away on November 27,
- 3 2020, at the age of 65; and
- WHEREAS, A native of Ardmore, Oklahoma, Mike Vance was born
- 5 on January 7, 1955, and he grew up with the companionship of three
- 6 siblings; when he was three years old, he moved with his family to
- 7 Richardson, where he attended St. Paul the Apostle Grade School and
- 8 Allen Military Academy; he went on to graduate from the Leadership
- 9 Command College at Sam Houston State University, before earning an
- 10 additional degree in management and technology from Richland Junior
- 11 College; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 1985, Mr. Vance began his career in law
- 13 enforcement when he was hired as a reserve officer and detention
- 14 officer for the Collin County Sheriff's Office; three years later,
- 15 he moved to the city of Anna to become a full-time deputy; he later
- 16 returned to the Collin County Sheriff's Office and served for 34
- 17 years in a number of positions, including as a patrol officer,
- 18 detention officer, supervisor, and criminal and narcotics
- 19 investigator, as well as a member of the county's SWAT team; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Over the years, Deputy Vance oversaw more than
- 21 10,000 criminal investigations, and through his dedication to
- 22 solving property crimes, he earned the gratitude of many victims of
- 23 robberies and burglaries; known as "Mookie" to his colleagues and
- 24 friends, he enjoyed a strong rapport with those who worked

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- 1 alongside him, and he helped guide the development of his fellow
- 2 officers both through his mentorship and through his commendable
- 3 example of public service; and
- WHEREAS, After retiring from the sheriff's office in 2019,
- 5 Mr. Vance continued serving as a reserve deputy sheriff while
- 6 planning his run for the office of Precinct 1 constable; he went on
- 7 to prevail in the 2020 general election, and he was looking forward
- 8 to his new leadership role; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Vance was blessed with the
- 10 love and support of a fine family that included his two children,
- 11 Lauren and Joseph, and his two granddaughters; he was deeply
- 12 devoted to his faith, and he was admired as a man who lived his life
- 13 according to his beliefs and principles; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Although the passing of Mike Vance has brought great
- 15 sorrow to all who knew him, he leaves behind a record of service to
- 16 his community that his loved ones can remember with pride; now,
- 17 therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Collin County
- 20 Constable-Elect Mike Vance and extend sincere sympathy to his
- 21 family, his friends, and his colleagues; 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 Mike Vance.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1706 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 29, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House