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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Jerry Lynn Strawn of Panhandle on September 17, 2020, at
- 3 the age of 79; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The son of Norvell and Doris Strawn, Jerry Strawn
- 5 was born on June 1, 1941, in Littlefield; he attended Bovina High
- 6 School, where he played football and basketball, and went on to
- 7 enroll at Texas Tech University; majoring in agronomy, he
- 8 distinguished himself as a member of the university's crops judging
- 9 team before earning his bachelor's degree in 1965; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Strawn put his education to good use during a
- 11 long career in agriculture, which involved farming first in Bovina
- 12 and Stratford and later just outside of Panhandle; in addition to
- 13 his agricultural endeavors, he became an active member of the
- 14 Panhandle community, coaching youth baseball and basketball,
- 15 serving on the cemetery association board, and holding various
- 16 positions with the Panhandle Country Club; in 1986, he joined the
- 17 Carson County commissioners court, and during a remarkable tenure
- 18 that spanned 24 years, he also aided local fire departments in
- 19 fighting fires and in disaster recovery efforts; and
- WHEREAS, Valuing his family above all else, Mr. Strawn
- 21 enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Kay, and he took great
- 22 pride in his three children, Mike, Karen, and Charlie; with the
- 23 passing years, he had the privilege of welcoming five grandchildren
- 24 and a great-grandson into the family; and

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1 WHEREAS, Although he is deeply missed, Jerry Strawn touched countless lives during his journey on this earth, and his loved ones 2 3 will forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jerry Lynn Strawn and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his 6 wife, Kay Strawn; to his son, Mike Strawn, and his wife, Joan; to 7 8 his daughter, Karen Strawn; to his daughter-in-law, Millie Strawn, the widow of his son, the late Charlie Lynn Strawn; to his 9 10 grandchildren, Melissa Shelley and Dixi, Jerry, Charles, and Caleb Strawn; to his great-grandson, Patrick Shelley; to his siblings, 11 Bill Strawn and his wife, Verna, Vicki Richards and her husband, 12 Leon, and Judy Herring; to his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, 13 14 Dixi and Dick Jones and Roy and Trudy Hartzog; and to his other 15 relatives and many friends; and, be it further 16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jerry 18 19 Strawn.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1742 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 29, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House