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R E S O L U T I O N

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

20 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

1           WHEREAS, Although he is deeply missed, Jerry Strawn touched  
2 countless lives during his journey on this earth, and his loved ones  
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  
6 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his  
7 wife, Kay Strawn; to his son, Mike Strawn, and his wife, Joan; to  
8 his daughter, Karen Strawn; to his daughter-in-law, Millie Strawn,  
9 the widow of his son, the late Charlie Lynn Strawn; to his  
10 grandchildren, Melissa Shelley and Dixi, Jerry, Charles, and Caleb  
11 Strawn; to his great-grandson, Patrick Shelley; to his siblings,  
12 Bill Strawn and his wife, Verna, Vicki Richards and her husband,  
13 Leon, and Judy Herring; to his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law,  
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 of  
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jerry  
19 Strawn.