

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The tragic passing of William Douglas Payea Rios of  
2 San Marcos on August 27, 2020, at the age of 15, has brought an  
3 incalculable loss to the family and friends of this beloved young  
4 man; and

5           WHEREAS, The son of Moneta and Eduardo Rios, William Rios was  
6 born in Plano on August 9, 2005, and moved to San Marcos in December  
7 2008; he grew up with the companionship of six siblings, Bradley,  
8 Rose, Jared, Andrew, R. J., and Victoria; and

9           WHEREAS, William was a sophomore at San Marcos High School,  
10 where he participated in the robotics program and the CyberPatriot  
11 cyber security program; his favorite pastimes outside of school  
12 included reading, playing video games, engaging in tabletop  
13 strategy games with his friends, and competing in Nerf gun battles  
14 with his siblings; a champion for the underdog, he advocated for  
15 turtles and embraced "slow and steady wins the race" as his personal  
16 credo; he also enjoyed playing with his two poodles; and

17           WHEREAS, William was a vibrant young man with a kind and  
18 caring heart for others, and he touched the lives of many with his  
19 love and friendship; now, therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of William Douglas  
22 Payea Rios and extend deepest condolences to the members of his  
23 family: to his parents, Moneta and Eduardo Rios; to his siblings,  
24 Bradley, Rose, Jared, Andrew, R. J., and Victoria Rios; to his

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1 grandparents, Jackie Payea, Doug Payea, and Roberto and Christine  
2 Rios; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
5 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of William  
6 Rios.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1980 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 31, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House