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## RESOLUTION

- 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.