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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
2 memories of Don McAskill of Jourdanton, who died on March 16, 2021,
3 at the age of 82; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Tom and Katie McAskill, Don McAskill was
5 born on May 19, 1938, in San Antonio, and he grew up with five
6 siblings on a farm near LaCoste; he married his high school
7 sweetheart, Shirley Bohl, in 1958, and the couple shared more than
8 six decades together; he was the proud father of four children, Pam,
9 Mike, Glenn, and the late Gregg McAskill, and he was blessed with
10 nine grandchildren, Drew, Griffin, Heath, Madison, Peyton, Landon,
11 Daniela, Carlee, and Darby, as well as five great-grandchildren,
12 Carson, Amelia, Lucah, Adeline, and Noah; and

13 WHEREAS, After graduating from LaCoste High School in 1956,
14 Mr. McAskill served in the U.S. Army from 1958 to 1962; returning to
15 civilian life, he earned master's degrees from St. Mary's
16 University, Our Lady of the Lake University, and Southern Methodist
17 University; he started his career in education as a history
18 teacher, driving instructor, counselor, and vice principal at
19 Southwest High School, and he went on to teach at Highlands High
20 School; he was also the social studies coordinator for the San
21 Antonio Independent School District and principal of W. W. White
22 Elementary School; and

23 WHEREAS, In 1973, Mr. McAskill joined the Jourdanton
24 Independent School District, where he worked for nearly 40 years,

1 serving as a driver's education instructor and as principal of
2 Jourdanton Elementary school before ultimately retiring in 2001;
3 affectionately known as "Mr. Mac," he was an inspiring and lively
4 teacher and mentor to several generations of Jourdanton students;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, A devoted family man and a beloved educator, Don
7 McAskill lived a caring and purposeful life, and he leaves behind a
8 legacy that his loved ones can remember with pride; now, therefore,
9 be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Don McAskill and
12 extend heartfelt sympathy to his family and many friends; and, be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Don
17 McAskill.