SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20

In Memory of Joseph LeGrande Northcutt

WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their memories of Joseph LeGrande Northcutt of Longview, who died on January 12, 2021, at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, A fifth-generation resident of Longview, LeGrande Northcutt was born to Josephine and William Northcutt Jr. on March 19, 1937, and he grew up with a brother, W. D. Northcutt III; he graduated from Longview High School in 1954 and subsequently earned a bachelor's degree in business from Baylor University; answering his nation's call to duty, he served in the U.S. Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Following his military service, Mr. Northcutt returned to Longview, where he enjoyed a successful career as an independent insurance agent, with the slogan, "LeGrande, your insurance man!"; a leader in his community, he was a board member of Metropolitan Savings and Loan, Market Place Ministries, and the Downtown Development Corporation, and for more than 50 years, he belonged to the Longview Rotary Club, winning recognition as a Paul Harris Fellow; he was also a lifelong member of First Baptist Church, serving the congregation as a deacon, Sunday school teacher, bus driver, and scoutmaster; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Northcutt shared a rewarding marriage with his wife, Cassandra, that spanned over six decades, and he was the proud father of two children, Gordon and Aurelia; later in life, he was further blessed with four grandchildren, Conlan, William, Adolynn, and Truett; he delighted in the time he spent with his friends and loved ones "junin' around" at his farm in Panola County or fishing for crappie on Caddo Lake, and he was a stalwart supporter of the Baylor Bears football and basketball teams; and

WHEREAS, A devoted family man, a respected professional, and a true son of Longview, LeGrande Northcutt lived a rich and purposeful life, and he leaves behind a legacy of kindness and generosity that will continue to inspire all those who were fortunate enough to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Joseph LeGrande Northcutt and extend heartfelt sympathy to his relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joseph LeGrande Northcutt.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 9, 2021, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate