

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 432

In Memory  
of  
Robert Otto Dittmar II

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Dr. Robert Otto Dittmar II, who died August 8, 2020, at the age of 64; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob Dittmar was born on October 18, 1955, in Fredericksburg; a fifth-generation Texas rancher, he learned the value of hard work and the importance of land preservation at a young age; he followed in his father's footsteps and attended Texas A&M University, where he earned a degree in veterinary medicine and was a member of the Aggies' national championship wool-judging team; and

**WHEREAS**, He married Bernadine, his beloved wife of 41 years, on August 18, 1979, and the couple was blessed with two children, Robert Otto Dittmar III and Whitney Hild; his grandchildren, Hayden, Paige, Kimber, and Levi, were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

**WHEREAS**, He worked for a time in Weslaco and Hondo before moving his veterinary practice to Kerrville so that he could also work on his family's ranch; he became known for building close relationships with his clients and for his willingness to serve them at a moment's notice; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2014, he was named the first state wildlife veterinarian for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, which allowed him to follow his passion for natural resource conservation; he was particularly drawn to Texas bighorn sheep and pronghorn antelope relocation efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, He held leadership positions in a wide range of professional and community organizations, including the Doss and

Harper Wildlife Management Associations, the Texas Farm Bureau, the Texas Wildlife Association, the Buckskin Brigades, and the Learning Across New Dimensions in Science program; he was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church; and

**WHEREAS,** A man of courage, generosity, and wisdom, he gave unselfishly to others, and his passion for his work and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and

**WHEREAS,** He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Dr. Robert Otto Dittmar II; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Robert Otto Dittmar II.

Buckingham, Perry

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2021, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate

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