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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Noel Escobar, former mayor of the City of Escobares, on
- 3 September 30, 2022, at the age of 87; and
- WHEREAS, Born in Escobares on January 10, 1935, to Niceforo
- 5 Escobar and Adela Flores, Noel Escobar grew up with the
- 6 companionship of four siblings, Joel, Hermila, Maria, and Emma;
- 7 after graduating from Roma High School in 1953, he moved to San
- 8 Antonio and attended Durham's Business College; he later continued
- 9 his studies at St. Mary's University, where he earned a bachelor of
- 10 business administration degree in 1977; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Answering his nation's call to duty, Mr. Escobar
- 12 served as a member of the Marine Corps from January 1956 until July
- 13 1959, when he received an honorable discharge at the rank of
- 14 sergeant; he subsequently began a career in the civil service at
- 15 Fort Sam Houston, and at the time of his retirement in 1997, he was
- 16 the director of public works in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- 17 Business Management Division; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Escobar and his wife, the late Felipita Pena,
- 19 eventually returned to his hometown of Escobares to be closer to
- 20 family and to take up ranching on a full-time basis; after learning
- 21 about some of the issues facing the community, he joined other
- 22 volunteers in the campaign to make Escobares an independent city;
- 23 and
- WHEREAS, In 2005, Mr. Escobar was elected as the first mayor

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- 1 of the City of Escobares, and he continued to serve in that capacity
- 2 until stepping down in December 2020; he never wavered in his
- 3 dedication to improving the quality of life of his fellow citizens,
- 4 and at the time of his death, he was planning to run for a seat on
- 5 the city council in the upcoming election; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Noel Escobar distinguished himself as an engaged
- 7 citizen and a force for good in his community, and he will forever
- 8 be a source of inspiration to the many people whose lives he
- 9 touched; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 11 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
- 12 of Noel Escobar and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his
- 13 family: to his sisters, Hermila E. Garcia and her husband, Carlos,
- 14 Maria Delia Rodriguez and her husband, Alonzo, and Emma Y. Vasquez
- 15 and her husband, Mario; to his nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and
- 16 great-nephews; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 20 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Noel
- 21 Escobar.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 132 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on November 1, 2023.

Chief Clerk of the House