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S.R. No. 17

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Matthew
2 Thomas Young of Lindale, who passed away on January 5, 2025, at the
3 age of 49; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on March 19, 1975, in Paris, to Tom and Debbie
5 Young, Matt Young grew up with the companionship of two sisters,
6 Jessica and Kathleen; in 1993, he graduated as salutatorian from
7 Sulphur Springs High School, where he was a member of the student
8 council as well as the football and basketball teams; he went on to
9 receive a bachelor's degree in kinesiology from The University of
10 Texas at Austin; and

11 WHEREAS, After college, Mr. Young embarked on a rewarding
12 career in education that spanned 27 years; along the way, he worked
13 at high schools in Sulphur Springs, Gainesville, Denton, Cooper,
14 and Van, where he taught a variety of math classes and coached
15 football, track, basketball, and baseball; he further served his
16 profession as a member of the Texas High School Coaches
17 Association; and

18 WHEREAS, In 2001, Mr. Young married the former Jamie McGraw;
19 the couple shared a fulfilling union that spanned more than two
20 decades and were the proud parents of five children, Rorie, Khira,
21 Tate, Zack, and Kymora; a man of faith, Mr. Young was a devoted
22 congregant of First United Methodist Church in Mt. Sylvan, and in
23 his leisure time, he enjoyed cooking, reading, playing golf,
24 hosting dinner and game nights, and traveling with loved ones; and

1 WHEREAS, While Matt Young will be deeply missed, his
2 contributions as an educator, a family man, and a valued member of
3 his community will long be treasured by all those who had the good
4 fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 2nd
6 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Matthew Thomas
7 Young and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
8 his wife, Jamie Young; to his children, Rorie, Khira, Tate, Zack,
9 and Kymora Young; to his parents, Tom and Debbie Young; to his
10 sisters, Jessica Swatsell and her husband, Chad, and Kathleen Wade
11 and her husband, A. B.; to his in-laws, Jimmie and Renee McGraw; and
12 to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
15 day, it do so in memory of Matt Young.