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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 James Randall Rushing and Cynthia Cherise Rushing of
3 Sulphur Springs, who were tragically lost in the July 4, 2025,
4 flooding in Kerr County; and

5 WHEREAS, J. R. Rushing was born in Winnsboro on January 6,
6 1961, to James Harlton and Connie Fae Rushing, and he grew up with
7 the companionship of three sisters, Sonya, Tonya, and Tamra; he was
8 an employee at Flowserve, and he took pleasure in flying drones as a
9 hobby and in volunteering his time as an umpire and referee at local
10 softball and volleyball games; and

11 WHEREAS, Born on May 20, 1972, in Oxford, Mississippi, the
12 former Cindy Nelson was the daughter of Arthur Martin Nelson and
13 Memory Bowles Nelson, and her family also included her siblings,
14 Jeremy and Rebecca; in addition to working for Alora Home Health
15 Software, she was an avid reader and fan of science fiction films,
16 and she channeled her creativity into making custom T-shirts and
17 sewing; and

18 WHEREAS, The couple shared a strong bond of love throughout
19 their marriage; they were deeply devoted to their five children,
20 Sarah, Joshua, Tamra, James, and Randi, and they also experienced
21 the joy of welcoming nine grandchildren into the family; they
22 delighted in spending time with their loved ones, and they were also
23 fond of camping and taking trips in their recreational vehicle,
24 creating many cherished memories along the way; and

1 WHEREAS, Although the passing of J. R. and Cindy Rushing has
2 brought great sadness to their family, their friends, and their
3 community, they will forever hold a special place in the hearts of
4 those they left behind; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 2nd
6 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of James Randall
7 Rushing and Cynthia Cherise Rushing and extend deepest condolences
8 to the members of their family: to their children, Sarah Jones and
9 her husband, Steven, Joshua Kiestler, Tamra Blasius and her
10 husband, Wade, James Evan Rushing and his wife, Nadiana, and Randi
11 Bailey and her husband, Matthew; to their grandchildren, Brianna
12 Lugo, Jayce Bailey, Carsen, Mara, Madilyn, Maegan, and Brooklyn
13 Jones, and Able and Karter Blasius; to Mr. Rushing's mother, Connie
14 Rushing; to his sisters, Sonya Adams and Tonya Renae Burton; to
15 Mrs. Rushing's mother, Memory Nelson; to her siblings, Jeremy
16 Nelson and Rebecca Nelson; and to the couple's other relatives and
17 many friends; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for their family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns
20 this day, it do so in memory of J. R. and Cindy Rushing.