By: Hughes S.R. No. 27

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Kenneth Edward Gray of Hooks on July 21, 2025, at the age
- 3 of 86; and
- WHEREAS, Born in Westover on November 20, 1938, Kenneth Gray
- 5 was the son of Ara New and James Doyle Gray, and he grew up with the
- 6 companionship of two brothers, Jerry and Glen, and a sister, Gwen;
- 7 answering his nation's call to duty, he served in the U.S. Marine
- 8 Corps; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Gray received a bachelor's degree in industrial
- 10 arts from North Texas State University; he went on to embark on a
- 11 rewarding career as an engineer at Day and Zimmermann and retired
- 12 after nearly four decades; during his leisure hours, he enjoyed
- 13 woodworking, browsing flea markets, repurposing ordinary items
- 14 into works of art, listening to jazz and big band music, and
- 15 tinkering on other projects; and
- WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Gray benefited from the
- 17 love and support of his wife, Glenda, and they shared more than a
- 18 half century together before her death in 2015; he was the proud
- 19 father of a daughter, Kelly, and two sons, Doug and Casey, and with
- 20 the passing years, his cherished family grew to include a grandson,
- 21 Dillon; and
- WHEREAS, An easygoing and loving man, Kenneth Gray enriched
- 23 the lives of all who were fortunate enough to know him, and they
- 24 will forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 2nd
- 2 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Kenneth Edward
- 3 Gray and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to
- 4 his daughter, Kelly Rose; to his sons, Doug and Casey Gray; to his
- 5 grandson, Dillon Gray; to his sister-in-law, Sue Gray; and to his
- 6 other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
- 9 day, it do so in memory of Kenneth Gray.