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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of admired physician Jan Hansen Garrett of Tyler on  
3 July 16, 2024, at the age of 83; and

4           WHEREAS, The son of Dr. James Marion Garrett and Annabelle  
5 Hansen Garrett, Jan Garrett was born in Temple on June 14, 1941; he  
6 graduated from The University of Texas at Austin and Baylor  
7 University College of Medicine; after serving as a general medical  
8 officer in the U.S. Navy, he completed his orthopedic residency at  
9 the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; he established  
10 the Bone and Joint Clinic in Tyler, and in 1992, he became founding  
11 president of the Azalea Orthopedics clinic; he was adored by his  
12 patients, staff, and colleagues and received many honors, including  
13 induction into the Bethesda Health Clinic Doctor Luke Society in  
14 2019; over the years, he held positions at the UT Tyler Health  
15 Science Center and several other hospitals, and he was a founding  
16 member of the Baylor Scott & White Texas Spine & Joint Hospital and  
17 president of Ambulatory Surgical Center of Tyler; for more than two  
18 decades, he served on the board of Physicians Contracting  
19 Organization of Texas; he retired in 2017; and

20           WHEREAS, Dr. Garrett married the love of his life, the former  
21 Madonna Sue Jones, on August 21, 1965, and they were blessed with  
22 two daughters, Jennifer and Laura; eventually, he knew the joy of  
23 becoming the proud grandfather of Patrick and Annabelle; he and Sue  
24 Garrett shared a fulfilling relationship until her death in 2017;

1 fortunate enough to find love a second time, he married Elen  
2 Moncrieff on December 29, 2018; his many interests included wine,  
3 classical music, travel, golf, reading, and collecting and sharing  
4 first edition books; and

5 WHEREAS, Although Jan Garrett is deeply missed, his strong  
6 faith, great kindness, and immense devotion to his family will  
7 remain a source of inspiration to all who were privileged to know  
8 him; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature  
10 hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. Jan Hansen Garrett and extend  
11 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Elen  
12 Garrett; to his daughters, Jennifer Deen and her husband, Patrick,  
13 and Laura Jones and her husband, Matt; to his grandchildren,  
14 Patrick Deen Jr. and Annabelle Gardner; to his siblings, Mary Joyce  
15 and Chris, Steve, and Mike Garrett; and to his many other relatives  
16 and friends; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this  
19 day, it do so in memory of Jan Garrett.