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S.R. No. 255

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 passing of James Rondal Burns of Pittsburg on February 3, 2025, at
3 the age of 83; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Oscar and Mary Sue Lainey Burns, James
5 Burns was born in Pittsburg on April 1, 1941; he grew up with the
6 companionship of his siblings, and he graduated from Pittsburg High
7 School in 1960; answering his nation's call to duty, he served for
8 three years as a member of the Army National Guard; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Burns distinguished himself over the course of a
10 successful career as a business owner; moreover, he was a prominent
11 member of the Thoroughbred Racehorse Association; and

12 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Burns enjoyed the love and
13 support of his wife, Sue, with whom he shared a rewarding marriage
14 that spanned more than three decades; he was the devoted father of
15 six children, Kim, Kendal, Kyle, Dwaina, David, and Daniel, and he
16 took great pride in his 17 grandchildren and 12
17 great-grandchildren; and

18 WHEREAS, Although James Burns will be deeply missed, he has
19 left his loved ones with a wealth of memories that they will forever
20 treasure; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature
22 hereby pay tribute to the memory of James Rondal Burns and extend
23 heartfelt condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Sue
24 Burns; to his children, Kim Pilgrim and her husband, Mark, Kendal

1 Burns and his wife, BuLinda, Kyle Burns and his wife, Tina, Dwaina
2 Kerr and her husband, Dave, David McClure and his wife, Terri, and
3 Daniel McClure and his wife, Niki; to his grandchildren, Clayton,
4 Blevin, Bryce, Kole, Taylor, Brittany, Reid, Logan, Jessica,
5 Garrett, Cristy, Drew, Adam, Emily, Ian, Morgan, and Cade; to his
6 great-grandchildren, Caroline, Wyatt, Brayson, Braylee, Ashton,
7 Beckham, Ainsley, Emerson, Beaux, Lawson, Rory, and Parker; and to
8 his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
11 day, it do so in memory of James Burns.