SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 300

In Memory of Lamar Lewis

WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Lamar Oslin Lewis of Temple were deeply saddened by his death on March 9, 2025, at the age of 71; and

WHEREAS, The son of Benny Lee and Wilma Lewis, Lamar Lewis was born on January 17, 1954, and he grew up with the companionship of three siblings, Benny, Russell, and Penelope; after graduating from Academy High School in 1972, he attended Temple Junior College, and he received a bachelor's degree in political science from Baylor University in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis enjoyed a rewarding 33-year career as an educator, coach, and athletic director at a number of Texas public schools; following his retirement from Bandera High in 2013, he served as district director in the office of State Representative Hugh Shine, and he ran for a seat in the Texas Senate in 2021; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Lewis benefited from the love and support of his wife, Colleen, with whom he shared a fulfilling marriage that spanned five decades; he took great pride in his three children, Lindsay, Lauren, and Lamar, and over the years, he welcomed into his family seven grandchildren, Dobie, Hazel, Bonnie, Doris, Penelope, Brazos, and Birdy; and

WHEREAS, While his loss is difficult to bear, Lamar Lewis leaves behind numerous friends and loved ones whose lives are far richer for having known him, and he will always hold a treasured place in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Lamar Oslin Lewis and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Doris Colleen Tomlin Lewis; to his wife's parents, Walter and Doris Tomlin; to his brothers, Benny Frank Lewis and his wife, Pamela, and Russell Lewis and his wife, Cassandra; to his children, Lindsay Penelope Illich and her husband, Craig, Lauren Elizabeth Brisbin and her husband, Robert, and Lamar Tomlin Lewis and his wife, Emily; to his grandchildren, Dobie Boone Illich, Hazel Barrett Meister, Bonnie Blue Lewis, Doris Mae Lewis, Penelope Kathryn Brisbin, and Brazos Dabney Lewis; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lamar Lewis.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 26, 2025, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate