

By: Flores

S.R. No. 300

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

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

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

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

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