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H.R. No. 14

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Flower Mound lost an engaged citizen, an admired
2 veteran, and a friend to many with the passing of Donald Joseph
3 Shields on July 3, 2023, at the age of 84; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of George Shields and Mary Rita Healy
5 Shields, Don Shields was born in Buffalo, New York, on November 5,
6 1938; he proudly served his country in the United States Navy for 22
7 years, attaining the rank of master chief petty officer; through
8 the years, he continued to be known as "Master Chief" to those who
9 knew him well; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Shields was deeply patriotic and very dedicated
11 to his community; a staunch Republican, he gave generously of his
12 time and talents in behalf of campaigns for conservative candidates
13 and causes; he attended all events and meetings of the Flower Mound
14 Area Republican Club and often represented the group outside
15 polling places; he was also a longtime member of the NRA; and

16 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Shields shared a
17 fulfilling 50-year marriage with his wife, June Ann Shields; he was
18 blessed with four children, Kirk, Kara, Karl, and Keath, as well as
19 four grandchildren, Craig, Kaitlin, Cole, and Cameron, and he
20 delighted in supporting them at their activities; sustained by a
21 strong faith, Mr. Shields was a valued member of his church, where
22 he served on the security team; he loved music, especially
23 traditional barbershop singing, and his family enjoyed hearing him
24 play the harmonica and tap out melodies on the piano; and

1 WHEREAS, Although Don Shields will be sadly missed, his
2 faith, patriotism, and civic involvement will remain a lasting
3 source of inspiration to those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be
4 it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
6 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
7 Donald Joseph Shields and extend sincere sympathy to the members of
8 his family: to his wife, June Ann Reeves Shields; to his children,
9 Kirk Shields and his wife, Christi, Kara Shields, Karl Shields and
10 his wife, Elizabeth, and Keath Shields; to his grandchildren,
11 Craig, Kaitlin, Cole, and Cameron; to his great-grandchildren,
12 Kaydon and Paityn; to his siblings, Mary, Brian, Art, Helen,
13 JoAnna, and Marita; and to his many other relatives and friends;
14 and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Don
18 Shields.