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H.R. No. 5

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 Kenneth Dewayne Phillips of Dallas on September 26,
3 2023, at the age of 79; and

4 WHEREAS, Kenneth Phillips was born in Lansing, Michigan, on
5 February 7, 1944, to William and Edna Phillips; he attended Lansing
6 Eastern High School, where he met his future wife; answering his
7 nation's call to duty, he joined the U.S. Air Force, and he went on
8 to earn a degree from the University of Alaska while stationed at
9 Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage; and

10 WHEREAS, Following his discharge, Mr. Phillips returned to
11 Michigan in 1970 and took a job at a feed company; he later embarked
12 on a career in medical sales and was hired by Ethicon; in 1976, he
13 was offered the opportunity to open a territory for DePuy Synthes in
14 Southern California, where he would reside for the next two
15 decades; after leaving California, he lived in several places,
16 including Michigan, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire, before
17 settling in Texas; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Phillips was a devoted father to his three
19 children, Tanya, Todd, and Heidi, whom he supported in all of their
20 endeavors; with the passing years, his treasured family grew to
21 include six grandchildren, Maddie, Max, Duncan, Ava, Ben, and Ruby;
22 his life was further enriched by the wide circle of friends that he
23 made during his many adventures; and

24 WHEREAS, While the passing of Kenneth Phillips brings great

1 sadness to his loved ones, he leaves behind a legacy that will long
2 be treasured by all those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
4 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
5 of Kenneth Dewayne Phillips and extend heartfelt condolences to the
6 members of his family: to his children, Tanya Phillips, Kenneth
7 Todd Phillips and his wife, Stephanie, and Heidi Carvalho and her
8 husband, Matt; to his grandchildren, Maddie, Max, and Duncan
9 Carvalho and Ava, Ben, and Ruby Phillips; and to his other relatives
10 and friends; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Kenneth
14 Phillips.