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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to
2 a close with the passing of Mark Barry Rogers of Boerne on
3 October 14, 2023, at the age of 70; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Stanley and Judith Rogers, "Buck" Rogers
5 was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on December 16, 1952, and grew up
6 with his siblings, Paul and Jane; he earned his bachelor's degree in
7 international affairs from the United States Air Force Academy in
8 1975; commissioned as a second lieutenant, he was a fighter pilot
9 from 1975 to 2001; he deployed in support of Operations Desert
10 Shield and Desert Storm, and while serving as commander of the 492nd
11 Fighter Squadron, he flew combat missions in support of Operation
12 Deny Flight; he became commander of the 35th Operations Group in
13 1996 and attained the rank of colonel before his retirement in 2001;
14 he then embarked on a second career with FedEx as a pilot and first
15 officer, flying until 2017; and

16 WHEREAS, Dedicated to his community, Mr. Rogers was a member
17 of the Kendall County Appraisal District Board and was honored as
18 chair emeritus; he volunteered in support of Boerne ISD schools,
19 and he was very involved in the Kendall County Republican Party,
20 serving in the roles of treasurer, chair, and election judge and
21 leading voter registration, outreach, and turnout campaigns; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Rogers shared a fulfilling relationship with
23 his wife, Suzie, and he was the proud father of two daughters, Megan
24 and Jennifer, and a son, Michael; through the years, the family grew

1 to include his son-in-law, Adam, his daughter-in-law, Jessica, and
2 his grandchildren, Emilee, Madeline, Wyatt, Paige, Luke, and Chase;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, An avid golfer, Mr. Rogers played the game around
5 the world and delighted in reconnecting with friends and
6 challenging himself on unfamiliar courses; in addition, he was a
7 voracious reader and an enthusiastic singer, although his military
8 precision did not always extend to the realm of pitch; he
9 appreciated fine wine, a good cigar, and a glass of scotch, and his
10 sense of humor and joie de vivre endeared him to innumerable people;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, While the death of Buck Rogers has brought great
13 sorrow to all who were privileged to share in the richness of his
14 life, they will continue to find inspiration in his devotion to his
15 family, his community, and his country; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
17 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
18 of Mark Barry "Buck" Rogers and extend sincere condolences to his
19 loved ones; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Buck
23 Rogers.