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H.R. No. 39

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The tragic passing of Christopher Thomas Branham on  
2 June 24, 2020, at the age of 26, brought an unimaginable loss to the  
3 many people who loved and cherished him; and

4           WHEREAS, The son of Jim and Conny Branham, Chris Branham was  
5 born in Brunssum, the Netherlands, on October 14, 1993, and he grew  
6 up with the companionship of his sister, Monica, who was also his  
7 best friend; in 2002, he and his family moved to Round Rock; a  
8 talented athlete, he excelled in baseball, football, and golf,  
9 earning the opportunity to compete in numerous national  
10 championships; he was a member of the Class of 2012 at Stony Point  
11 High School, and he attended a trade school in Pembroke Pines,  
12 Florida; and

13           WHEREAS, At the age of 23, Mr. Branham distinguished himself  
14 by becoming a small business owner; he married and experienced the  
15 joy of becoming the father of two precious children, Aaliyah and  
16 Jaden; and

17           WHEREAS, Mr. Branham's death inspired an outpouring of  
18 support from the community at large; to celebrate his life, family  
19 and friends established the Chris Branham Memorial Foundation, a  
20 nonprofit that raises money for trade school scholarships, local  
21 youth baseball organizations, and all-volunteer search and rescue  
22 efforts; and

23           WHEREAS, Chris Branham immeasurably enriched the lives of all  
24 who had the good fortune to share in his love and friendship, and

1 they will forever carry him close in their hearts; now, therefore,  
2 be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
4 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory  
5 of Christopher Thomas Branham and extend deepest condolences to all  
6 who mourn his passing; and, be it further

7         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Chris  
10 Branham.