

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 Roger Nealy on February 4, 2023, at the age of 87; and

3 WHEREAS, The son of Wilmus and Wattie Nealy, Roger Nealy was
4 born on March 18, 1935, in Teague, where he grew up alongside his 17
5 siblings; hard at work from a young age, he helped his family garden
6 and raise pigs, cows, and chickens, and he played football and other
7 sports at Booker T. Washington High School; and

8 WHEREAS, Following his graduation in 1954, Mr. Nealy entered
9 the food and beverage industry, working at various restaurants and
10 clubs in Fort Worth; over the years, he managed several bars and
11 served as a mixologist, and he played a vital role in integrating a
12 number of places he managed; he later moved to Beaumont and started
13 the D & R Days End Lounge, and after retiring in 1997, he devoted
14 himself to real estate management; active in his community, he
15 sponsored a baseball team and participated in Toys for Tots, and he
16 also volunteered with Meals on Wheels and the B-RI Railroad Museum;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Nealy married Doris Foreman Price, and together
19 they created a blended family that included his children, Roger and
20 Rogena, and her daughters, Ricarda, Lydia, and DeLisa; in his
21 leisure time, Mr. Nealy enjoyed hunting and fishing; and

22 WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to share in this esteemed
23 man's love and friendship will always remember him with great
24 admiration and affection; now, therefore, be it

H.R. No. 973

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Roger Nealy and extend
3 heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn his passing; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Roger
7 Nealy.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 973 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 20, 2023.

Chief Clerk of the House