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H.R. No. 1136

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 Paul Williams of Little River-Academy on April 4, 2023,
3 at the age of 61; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Robert and Mildred Williams, Paul
5 Williams was born on June 27, 1961, and he was raised in Sargent by
6 his grandmother and aunt; after graduating from Van Vleck High
7 School, he earned a bachelor's degree in education from Tarleton
8 State University, where he also played football and competed in the
9 discus for the track and field team; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Williams enjoyed a rewarding career in
11 education that spanned three and a half decades; he taught English
12 and coached football, powerlifting, and track at schools in
13 Sweetwater, Gregory-Portland, Tuloso-Midway, Del Valle, Belton,
14 Academy, and Troy; along the way, he served in the U.S. Army Reserve
15 for 25 years before retiring at the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 3
16 in 2018; his many military honors included the Afghanistan Campaign
17 Medal with a Campaign Star, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious
18 Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal; and

19 WHEREAS, Following his retirement, Mr. Williams served as a
20 member of the Little River-Academy City Council, and he volunteered
21 as a substitute teacher at the Holland Independent School District;
22 he was also an active member of Little River United Methodist
23 Church; and

24 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Williams benefited from

1 the love and support of his wife, Amanda, and he took great pride in
2 his children and grandchildren; and

3 WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his family, his faith, and his
4 country, Paul Williams earned the lasting respect and admiration of
5 all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Paul Williams and
8 extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
9 Amanda; to his children, Morgan and her husband, Jason, Kristin and
10 her husband, Ryan, Ashley, Heath and his wife, Lizzie, Koby and his
11 wife, Mariah, Kinsey and her husband, Preston, Joe, Jack, and
12 Brooklyn; to his grandchildren, Caylee, Clair, Mabel, Ayden, Nova,
13 Harleigh, Abrianna, Aniyah, Avontay, Alekai, Murphy, Malcolm, and
14 Owen; to his mother, Mildred; to his brother, Dwayne, and his wife,
15 Cindy; to his sister, Angela, and her husband, Sid; to his aunt,
16 Georgiana, and her husband, Dave; and to his many other relatives
17 and friends; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
20 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Paul
21 Williams.