

1 he later served in NATO Allied Forces Central Europe warfare
2 development, and he became a multinational military educator,
3 helping to enhance war-fighting readiness; moreover, he taught at
4 the Air War College and played a vital role in the integration of
5 computers in professional military education; he retired from the
6 air force at the rank of lieutenant colonel, and he subsequently
7 worked for a defense contractor in the private sector; and

8 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Kniker enjoyed the love
9 and support of his wife, Christine, and he took great pride in his
10 children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; he was known for
11 his wonderful sense of humor, and he touched the lives of those
12 around him with his gentle and caring spirit; and

13 WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his family and his country, Jim
14 Kniker earned the lasting respect and admiration of all who were
15 privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas
17 hereby pay tribute to the life of U.S. Air Force Lieutenant Colonel
18 (Ret.) James D. Kniker and extend heartfelt condolences to the
19 members of his family: to his wife, Christine Richman; to his
20 children, Alison, Chris and his wife, Catherine, Kimberly, Kathy,
21 Nanette, and Tommy; to his grandchildren, Desiree and her husband,
22 Derek, Caitlin, Hannah, Brian, and Rebecca; to his
23 great-grandchildren, Foster and Hattie; and to all others who mourn
24 his passing; and, be it further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
26 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
27 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of

1 Jim Kniker.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 52 was adopted by the Senate on May 16, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 52 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2023, by a rising vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor