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H.R. No. 292

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and  
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends  
3 of Mike Rambo of Colleyville, who passed away on March 22, 2008, at  
4 the age of 52; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of the Lone Star State, Mr. Rambo was born  
6 in Bryan on July 28, 1955; he graduated from Andress High School and  
7 earned his undergraduate degree from Stephen F. Austin State  
8 University; he later studied at The University of Texas at  
9 Arlington, where he earned a master's degree in computer  
10 engineering, and he utilized this training as director of IT at  
11 McKesson Corporation; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Rambo loved nature, and he shared his passion  
13 for astronomy, birds, hiking, and camping as scoutmaster of Troop  
14 28 in Colleyville; in addition to teaching his scouts about their  
15 environment, he passed on principles by which he lived his life:  
16 leadership, responsibility, citizenship, and stewardship of  
17 nature; and

18 WHEREAS, This notable Texan also taught his troop about the  
19 importance of giving back; together, they adopted and maintained  
20 the grounds of the Colleyville Nature Center and sections of Glade  
21 Road, and their efforts earned them the city's first Service Award;  
22 and

23 WHEREAS, His own volunteerism extended to Colleyville Clean  
24 Up Day, which he led every year, as well as to the L. D. Bell High

1 School Band booster organization and the First United Methodist  
2 Church of Grapevine; recognized by the 2005, 2006, and 2007  
3 President's Council on Service and Civic Participation, he also  
4 earned the McKesson Corp. 2006 Neil Harlan Award for community  
5 service; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Rambo was an Eagle Scout himself, and he  
7 received a number of accolades during his years as a scout and a  
8 leader; in addition, he was invited into the Order of the Arrow,  
9 gained scoutmaster training through Wood Badge, and served as a BSA  
10 lifeguard and cub master; and

11 WHEREAS, In his free time, he enjoyed playing the French horn  
12 and serving as a coach with the Bedford Euleless Soccer Association  
13 and Mid-Cities Basketball Association; and

14 WHEREAS, Above all else, Mr. Rambo was devoted to his wife of  
15 27 years, Mary-Margaret, and to his sons, Charles and Aaron, both of  
16 whom have followed their dad's fine example and have been active in  
17 scouting for many years; they both served as senior patrol leader  
18 for Troop 28, and additionally, Charles is an Eagle Scout and Aaron  
19 is a Life Scout; and

20 WHEREAS, Truly engaged in his community, Mike Rambo made it  
21 his mission to serve others, and his work as an educator and as a  
22 civic leader demonstrated his exceptional generosity and passion  
23 for life; though he is deeply missed by all those who were  
24 privileged to know him, he will long be remembered for the  
25 extraordinary contributions he made to his family, friends, and  
26 fellow residents; now, therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Mike Rambo and extend  
2 deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,  
3 Mary-Margaret Rambo; to his sons, Charles and Aaron Rambo; to his  
4 father, Colonel James Rambo; to his sisters, Cheryl Gerber, Bonnie  
5 Binder, and Debra Rambo Cleek; to his brother, Ken Rambo; and to his  
6 other relatives and many friends; 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 Mike Rambo.