

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The certain knowledge of a life well lived may
2 temper the profound sadness felt by the family and friends of
3 Kennedy Clay Roland of Lockhart, who passed away on January 21,
4 2015, at the age of 52; and

5 WHEREAS, Kenny Roland was born in St. John Colony on August
6 16, 1962, to Preston Roland Jr. and Joe Irene Roland; a gifted
7 athlete, he played on the varsity football, basketball, and track
8 teams at Lockhart High School; soon after graduation in 1980, he
9 joined Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, where he worked as a
10 journeyman lineman and construction crew supervisor during a career
11 that spanned nearly three and a half decades; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1998, Mr. Roland became the first African
13 American to be elected to the Lockhart City Council; he served as
14 District 1 council member until 2010 and as at-large council member
15 from 2013 to 2015; dedicated to building a stronger community and
16 enriching the lives of his fellow residents, he founded the
17 District 1 Pride organization and in 2004, he played a key role in
18 coordinating the first annual MLK Parade in Lockhart; and

19 WHEREAS, A devoted family man, Mr. Roland enjoyed the love
20 and support of his wife, Catherine, and he was adored by his
21 daughter, Kennedy; and

22 WHEREAS, While the life of Kennedy Clay Roland ended far too
23 soon, the generosity, integrity, and kindness with which he lived
24 will forever inspire all who had the good fortune to know him; now,

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Kennedy Clay Roland
4 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
5 wife, Catherine Roland; to his daughter, Kennedy Cecelia Roland; to
6 his brothers, Harold, Clay, and James Roland; to his sisters,
7 Margie Thompson, Margaret Pansy and her husband, Wallace, Yvette
8 Manning and her husband, Carey, and Edna Roland; and to his other
9 relatives and friends; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Kennedy
13 Clay Roland.

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Straus	González	Paddie
Allen	Guerra	Parker
Alonzo	Guillen	Paul
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Peña
Anchia	Harless	Phelan
Anderson of Dallas	Hernandez	Phillips
Anderson of McLennan	Herrero	Pickett
Ashby	Howard	Price
Aycock	Huberty	Raney
Bell	Hughes	Raymond
Bernal	Hunter	Reynolds
Blanco	Isaac	Riddle
Bohac	Israel	Rinaldi
Bonnen of Brazoria	Johnson	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Kacal	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Keffer	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Keough	Rose
Burrows	King of Hemphill	Sanford
Button	King of Parker	Schaefer
Canales	King of Taylor	Schofield
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Schubert
Clardy	Klick	Shaheen
Coleman	Koop	Sheets
Collier	Krause	Sheffield
Cook	Kuempel	Simmons
Craddick	Landgraf	Simpson
Crownover	Larson	Smith
Cyrier	Laubenberg	Smithee
Dale	Leach	Spitzer
Darby	Longoria	Springer
Davis of Dallas	Lozano	Stephenson
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Deshotel	Márquez	Thompson of Brazoria
Dukes	Martinez	Thompson of Harris
Dutton	Martinez Fischer	Tinderholt
Elkins	McClendon	Turner of Collin
Faircloth	Metcalf	Turner of Harris
Fallon	Meyer	Turner of Tarrant
Farias	Miles	VanDeaver
Farney	Miller of Comal	Villalba
Farrar	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Fletcher	Moody	Walle
Flynn	Morrison	White of Bell
Frank	Muñoz, Jr.	White of Tyler
Frullo	Murphy	Workman
Galindo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Naishtat	Wu
Giddings	Nevárez	Zedler
Goldman	Oliveira	Zerwas
Gonzales	Otto	

H.R. No. 524

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 524 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 5, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House