

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their
2 memories of Arley G. Echols of Stephenville, who passed away on
3 February 16, 2015, at the age of 68; and

4 WHEREAS, Arley Echols was born in Texarkana on July 23, 1946,
5 to Roy and Dorothy Echols; he graduated from Plains High School and
6 later received his bachelor's degree in education and master's
7 degree in education administration from Tarleton State University;
8 a veteran of the U.S. Army, Mr. Echols served overseas during the
9 Vietnam War as a chaplain's assistant; and

10 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan enjoyed a successful career in
11 education, serving as a sixth grade math teacher for the
12 Stephenville Independent School District and as superintendent of
13 Three Way and Huckabay Independent School Districts; he later
14 worked as the veterans affairs officer for Erath County; and

15 WHEREAS, A respected and longtime member of the Stephenville
16 community, Mr. Echols was active in the congregation at First
17 Baptist Church; and

18 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Echols was blessed with
19 the love and support of his wife, Cathy, with whom he shared nearly
20 four decades of marriage; he was devoted to his children, Michael
21 and Jennifer, and he later knew the joy of welcoming his
22 granddaughters, Audrey and Emily, into his cherished family; and

23 WHEREAS, Arley Echols built a life that was rich in the
24 intangibles that matter most, and although he is deeply missed, he

1 will always be remembered with admiration and affection by all
2 those who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Arley G. Echols and
5 extend sincere condolences to his family: to his wife, Cathy
6 Echols; to his son, Michael Echols and his wife, Alecia; to his
7 daughter, Jennifer Lesley and her husband, Brian; to his
8 granddaughters, Audrey Echols and Emily Lesley; to his brothers,
9 Dan Echols and his wife, Judy, Jerry Echols and his wife, Sandra,
10 and Paul Echols and his wife, Tammy; to his sister, Marie Phillips
11 and her husband, Gale; and to his other relatives and friends; and,
12 be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Arley
16 G. Echols.

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H.R. No. 823

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 823 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 12, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House