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H.R. No. 2385

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
2 death of Richard Nelson Rose of Arlington on March 3, 2015, at the
3 age of 68; and

4 WHEREAS, Rick Rose was born in Longview on February 4, 1947,
5 to Dorothy and Marc Rose; after graduating from Copperas Cove High
6 School, he attended Tarleton State College; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1966, Mr. Rose interrupted his studies to enlist
8 in the United States Army; he trained with the Green Berets for 23
9 months before his deployment to Vietnam, where he earned a Bronze
10 Star with valor; and

11 WHEREAS, Following his military service, Mr. Rose embarked
12 on a career in law enforcement; for five years, he worked as a
13 police officer and undercover narcotics investigator in Copperas
14 Cove, and he went on to investigate welfare fraud for the Dallas
15 County assistant district attorney's office; he later served as a
16 deputy sheriff in Athens, Texas, and he took pride in the role he
17 played as an investigator in the Betty Lou Beets murder case; and

18 WHEREAS, In his retirement, Mr. Rose took pleasure in hunting
19 and fishing, and he especially delighted in the time he spent with
20 his granddaughter, Emma; he was also a generous friend who never
21 failed to lend a hand when needed; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Rose was passionate about politics, and he
23 demonstrated an unwavering commitment to defending those essential
24 freedoms guaranteed to citizens by the Constitution; he was a

1 precinct chair for the Tarrant County Republican Party and an
2 active member of the Arlington Tea Party, and he earned the
3 admiration of many with his dedication to the causes in which he
4 believed; and

5 WHEREAS, A true patriot, Rick Rose fought tirelessly to
6 protect this country's freedoms, and he leaves behind a record of
7 service that will continue to inspire all those who knew and loved
8 him; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Nelson Rose
11 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his
12 wife, Bonnie Rose; to his daughter, Amanda Silva, and her husband,
13 David; to his son, Jason Rose; to his sister, Carol Williams; to his
14 grandchildren, Emma and Brayden; to his nephews, Mark and Paul
15 Williams; to his nieces, Shelly Rutherford and Kerri Wagers; and to
16 his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

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