By: Reynolds H.R. No. 243

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot express the sorrow felt at the loss of

Fort Bend County Constable Ruben Davis, who died on October 18,

3 2016, at the age of 61; and

WHEREAS, Ruben George Davis Jr. was born in Houston on August

5 18, 1955, to Ruben George Davis Sr. and Lola Mae Bolton Davis; after

6 graduating from Worthing High School, he attended the Houston

7 Police Department Academy, where he met his future wife, Sharon Ann

8 Sherman; the couple were married in 1976, and they became the proud

9 parents of two daughters, Robin Davis and the late Traneka Michelle

10 Davis; and

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11 WHEREAS, Mr. Davis began his career in law enforcement as a

member of the Houston Police Department, where he served for 21

years before retiring at the rank of senior supervisor; in 1996, he

14 was elected as the Fort Bend County constable for Precinct 2, and he

15 continued to hold that office for the next two decades, carrying out

16 his duties with skill and integrity until his passing; and

17 WHEREAS, Constable Davis earned his bachelor's degree in

18 criminal justice from the University of Houston and his master's

19 degree in counseling from Prairie View A&M University; certified as

20 a master peace officer, police academy and D.A.R.E. instructor, and

21 crime prevention specialist, he taught criminal justice as an

22 adjunct instructor for the Houston Community College System; and

23 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan constantly sought out ways in

24 which he might give back to his community and his profession; he

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- 1 founded the Community Council of Fort Bend, and he served on the
- 2 Fort Bend County Criminal Justice Grant Board, the University of
- 3 Houston System at Sugar Land Advisory Board, and the National
- 4 Diversity Forum Board; he was also a past president of the Houston
- 5 Chapter of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement
- 6 Executives and a board member of the African American Police
- 7 Officers League, the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department,
- 8 and the Fort Bend County YMCA; and
- 9 WHEREAS, A loving husband and father, a man of deep religious
- 10 faith, and an exemplary public servant, Ruben Davis leaves behind
- 11 an example of devotion to duty and compassion for others that will
- 12 continue to inspire all those who knew and loved him; now,
- 13 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ruben George Davis
- 16 Jr. and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family and
- 17 to his many friends; and, be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 19 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 20 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ruben
- 21 George Davis Jr.