

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The faculty, staff, and students of Sul Ross Middle  
2 School in San Antonio celebrated its 50th anniversary on February  
3 21, 2017; and

4           WHEREAS, Opened in 1967, Ross is 1 of 20 middle schools in the  
5 Northside Independent School District; serving more than 1,100  
6 students in grades six through eight, it currently benefits from  
7 the able leadership of principal Lisa McConoghy, vice principal  
8 Faustino Ortega, academic dean Mahntie Reeves, and assistant  
9 principal Richard Cardenas; and

10           WHEREAS, The school's namesake is former Texas governor  
11 Lawrence Sullivan "Sul" Ross; born in 1838, this Civil War veteran  
12 served for two years in the Texas Senate before being elected  
13 governor in 1886; during his gubernatorial tenure, the state  
14 experienced tremendous industrial, agricultural, and commercial  
15 growth, while its educational and charitable institutions  
16 flourished; after leaving politics in 1891, he became president of  
17 the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, now known as  
18 Texas A&M University, and he held that position until his passing in  
19 1898; and

20           WHEREAS, For the past half century, Sul Ross Middle School  
21 has given many young Texans a strong academic foundation on which to  
22 build, and it has made a lasting and positive impact in the lives of  
23 countless San Antonio residents; now, therefore, be it

24           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commemorate the 50th anniversary of Sul Ross  
2 Middle School and extend to all those associated with the school  
3 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
6 House of Representatives.

Rodriguez of Bexar

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 720 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House