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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.