

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 574

In Memory  
of  
Howard Vance Rose Jr.

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Howard Vance Rose Jr., who died March 29, 2017, at the age of 86; and

**WHEREAS**, Howard Rose was born on October 25, 1930, in Nashville, Tennessee; he graduated from Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth, and he attended Texas Christian University for two years; and

**WHEREAS**, Howard transferred to The University of Texas at Austin to complete his undergraduate studies and was active in the Kappa Sigma fraternity; he earned a degree from The University of Texas School of Law in 1953, and after law school, he served with distinction as an officer in the United States Army Judge Advocate General Corps; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Rose began a career in private practice at Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, and Laughlin in Midland; he left the practice in 1962 to serve as chief of staff for Texas Governor-elect John B. Connally, and he helped the governor shape and secure landmark legislation that advanced higher education in Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1967, Howard joined the Austin law firm of Brown, Sparks and Erwin, which later became Brown, Maroney, Rose, Baker and Barber, and he practiced law with the firm for the duration of his career and to the end of his life; in 2000, the firm honored him by establishing the Howard Vance Rose Jr. Endowed Presidential Scholarship at The University of Texas School of Law; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Rose was a distinguished resident of the Austin community who contributed to numerous civic and community organizations; he served as chairman of the board of trustees of the Southwest Texas Public Broadcasting Council and as chairman of the board of directors of the Capital of Texas Public Telecommunications Council; he was led in all things by his faith, and he served as a deacon and as an elder at Westminster Presbyterian Church; and

**WHEREAS**, Howard Rose shared 57 years of marriage with the late Patsy Ann Patteson, and they were blessed with three children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren; he was beloved by many, and he leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Howard Vance Rose Jr.; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Howard Rose Jr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 4, 2017, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate