By: Kacal H.R. No. 68

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Michael Joseph Quick of College Station has greatly 2 distinguished himself in all his endeavors over the course of a life

3 well lived; and

WHEREAS, The son of Wade Edward and Celista Joan Quick Burke,
Mike Quick was born in Port Arthur on December 16, 1946; following
the untimely death of his mother, he and his sister, Margaret, were
raised by their maternal grandparents, Earl and Dorothy Quick; he

8 completed his bachelor's degree in chemistry at Lamar University,

9 where he met his future wife, the former Terry Tilley; they married

10 on September 5, 1969, and a month later, Mr. Quick was drafted into

11 the U.S. Army; after graduating at the top of his class in

12 noncommissioned officer's school, he was deployed to Vietnam; he

attained the rank of sergeant first class and received a number of

14 decorations, among them the Bronze Star and Army Commendation

15 Medal; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Quick went on to earn a master's degree in chemistry from Lamar University and a doctoral degree in computer science from Texas A&M University; embarking on a noteworthy career with A&M, he was a software developer at the Data Processing Center and an instructor of computer science; although he retired in 1996, he continued to work as an independent software developer until

22 2000, when he founded Quick Internet Software Solutions, which

23 serves the insurance industry; and

24 WHEREAS, The devoted father of a daughter, Tiffany, and a

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- 1 son, David, Mr. Quick also takes great pride in his two
- 2 granddaughters, Caroline and Kendall; he is a founding member of
- 3 St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, and for many years, he sang in
- 4 the choir, served as an extraordinary Eucharistic minister, and
- 5 co-chaired the annual festival with his wife; active for decades in
- 6 the Knights of Columbus as well, he served twice as grand knight and
- 7 played a key role in the establishment of the 4th Degree KC Assembly
- 8 2041; moreover, he was the first commander of its color guard, which
- 9 won numerous competitions; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mike Quick has earned the lasting respect and
- 11 admiration of all who are privileged to know him, and it is indeed
- 12 fitting to recognize him at this time; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 14 Legislature hereby honor Michael Joseph Quick for his
- 15 accomplishments and contributions; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for Mr. Quick as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 18 House of Representatives.