

By: Oliverson

H.R. No. 684

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Angie Powell, a nurse from Pickens County, Alabama,  
2 demonstrated remarkable compassion and composure when she came to  
3 the aid of a man experiencing a medical emergency at the airport;  
4 and

5           WHEREAS, Currently the director of nursing at Aliceville  
6 Manor Nursing Home in Aliceville, Alabama, Ms. Powell has spent 27  
7 years in the nursing field; on January 18, 2019, she was waiting at  
8 the airport in Birmingham to board a flight to Chicago, when a  
9 nearby man, Ray Oliverson, suddenly collapsed to the floor; she  
10 stepped forward as a call rang out for medical assistance, and after  
11 being unable to detect Mr. Oliverson's pulse, she immediately began  
12 performing chest compressions on him; and

13           WHEREAS, Ms. Powell recalled seeing an automatic electric  
14 defibrillator device in the building and asked another bystander to  
15 retrieve it; at this time, a man who was a certified CPR instructor  
16 offered to help, and together, Ms. Powell and the volunteer  
17 alternated administering the AED and performing CPR until  
18 Mr. Oliverson's pulse finally returned; after Mr. Oliverson  
19 regained consciousness, he was taken to the hospital by paramedics;  
20 Mr. Oliverson is the father of State Representative Tom Oliverson,  
21 and Ms. Powell's caring and skillful actions on that day earned her  
22 the profound gratitude of the victim's family; and

23           WHEREAS, When confronted with a crisis situation, Angie  
24 Powell remained calm and drew upon her training as a nurse to save

1 the life of a fellow traveler in need, and she distinguished herself  
2 as a hero and a true credit to her profession; now, therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby honor Angie Powell for rendering medical aid to  
5 Ray Oliverson on January 18, 2019, and extend to her sincere best  
6 wishes for the future; and, be it further

7       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Ms. Powell as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
9 House of Representatives.