

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 1175

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dallas County lost an admired civic leader with the
2 passing of the Honorable Charles Ronald Rose Sr. of Dallas on April
3 4, 2019, at the age of 73; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Homer Rose Sr. and Dorothy Evelyn
5 Hollingsworth Rose, Charles Rose was born in Dallas on January 17,
6 1946, and grew up with five brothers, Homer, Horace, Roger, Odell,
7 and Fred, and two sisters, Marie and Joann; his first marriage
8 brought him three treasured children, Ronnie, Toni, and Nikki, and
9 in 1982, he wed the former Gazelle Pichon and gained two more
10 daughters, Lachon and Nina; through the years, he was blessed with
11 eight grandchildren, Darius, Quentin, Jasmine, Jeffrey, Jade,
12 Lauren, Alexia, and Trenton, and four great-grandchildren,
13 Cammaron, Channing, Caelyn, and Nia; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Rose earned a bachelor's degree in business
15 education and political science from Bishop College and a master's
16 degree in urban and regional affairs from The University of Texas at
17 Arlington; after beginning his career with General Motors, he
18 joined Local Union No. 816 of the United Automobile, Aerospace and
19 Agricultural Implement Workers of America, and as a member of the
20 executive board, he advocated for workers' rights; his drive to
21 serve prompted him to take a leave of absence to seek public office,
22 and in 1989, he was elected Dallas County justice of the peace for
23 Precinct 8, Place 1, and he also won a seat on the Wilmer-Hutchins
24 Independent School District Board; he served four consecutive terms

1 as justice of the peace before returning to General Motors for two
2 years; following his retirement, he launched a consulting and
3 auditing agency, C. R. Rose and Associates, and served as its
4 executive director; he returned to the political arena in 2012 to
5 support the successful campaign of his daughter Toni Rose to
6 represent District 110 in the Texas House; and

7 WHEREAS, Committed to improving the lives of others, Judge
8 Rose was a trusted voice in the community and a resourceful civil
9 rights strategist; he volunteered as an adjunct professor at Paul
10 Quinn College and gave generously of his time and expertise to a
11 host of civic and charitable organizations; a cofounder of the
12 Friday Network Group and the Dallas Committee on Urban Affairs, he
13 served as chair of the Southeast Oak Cliff Community Leadership
14 Association and the Moorland Family YMCA Fund-Raising Campaign, as
15 district chair of the Boy Scouts of America-Mustang District, and
16 as a board member of the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce and the
17 South Dallas Collaborative Effort Governance Committee; moreover,
18 he was an active member of Holy Cross Catholic Church and the
19 Knights of Columbus; and

20 WHEREAS, Judge Rose received myriad accolades for his
21 contributions, including the 2018 Trailblazer Award from the Alpha
22 Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the 2018
23 Jubilee Productions Award of Service; in 2013, he was recognized
24 with the Outstanding Texan Award for District 110 from the Texas
25 Legislative Black Caucus; and

26 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community,
27 Charles Rose made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved

1 ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be
2 fondly remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Judge Charles
5 Ronald Rose Sr. and extend sincere condolences to his family and
6 friends; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Charles
10 Rose.