By: Davis of Dallas

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RESOLUTION

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

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 he was elected to the Wilmer-Hutchins Independent School District

23 Board, and he served four consecutive terms as Dallas County

24 justice of the peace for Precinct 8, Place 1, before returning to

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- 1 General Motors for two years; following his retirement, he launched
- 2 a consulting and auditing agency, C. R. Rose and Associates, and
- 3 served as its executive director; he returned to the political
- 4 arena in 2012 to support the successful campaign of his daughter
- 5 Toni Rose to represent District 110 in the Texas House; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Committed to improving the lives of others, Judge
- 7 Rose was a trusted voice in the community and a resourceful civil
- 8 rights strategist; he volunteered as an adjunct professor at Paul
- 9 Quinn College and gave generously of his time and expertise to a
- 10 host of civic and charitable organizations; a cofounder of the
- 11 Friday Network Group and the Dallas Committee on Urban Affairs, he
- 12 served as chair of the Southeast Oak Cliff Community Leadership
- 13 Association and the Moorland Family YMCA Fund-Raising Campaign, as
- 14 district chair of the Boy Scouts of America-Mustang District, and
- 15 as a board member of the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce and the
- 16 South Dallas Collaborative Effort Governance Committee; moreover,
- 17 he was an active member of Holy Cross Catholic Church and the
- 18 Knights of Columbus; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Judge Rose received myriad accolades for his
- 20 contributions, including the 2018 Trailblazer Award from the Alpha
- 21 Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the 2018
- 22 Jubilee Productions Award of Service; in 2013, he was recognized
- 23 with the Outstanding Texan Award for District 110 from the Texas
- 24 Legislative Black Caucus; and
- WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community,
- 26 Charles Rose made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved
- 27 ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be

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- 1 fondly remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Judge Charles
- 4 Ronald Rose Sr. and extend sincere condolences to his family and
- 5 friends; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Charles
- 9 Rose.