

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of Ralph T. Cloud of El Paso on August 17, 2021, at the age  
3 of 83; and

4           WHEREAS, Ralph Cloud was born on November 22, 1937, to Ralph  
5 Isaac Cloud and Guadalupe Telles, and he grew up in El Paso with the  
6 companionship of four siblings, Roy, Frances, Katherine, and Olga;  
7 after graduating from Thomas Jefferson High School, he served in  
8 the National Guard for eight years; and

9           WHEREAS, In civilian life, Mr. Cloud held a variety of jobs,  
10 including working as a janitor at Zavala Elementary School, an  
11 auto-glass repairman, an apprentice at BIC Electric, and a  
12 deliveryman at Farmers Dairies; he went on to a career with Southern  
13 Pacific Railroad, remaining with the company after it merged with  
14 Union Pacific; and

15           WHEREAS, Highly engaged in his community, Mr. Cloud was  
16 president of the Yucca Neighborhood Association, which he founded  
17 in 2007; he further distinguished himself by hosting various  
18 events, such as fundraisers and holiday food giveaways, and by  
19 leading area Boy Scout troops; he also coached boys and girls Little  
20 League teams for several years, and he played an instrumental role  
21 in establishing a booster club at Hillcrest Middle School to  
22 purchase athletic equipment for students; moreover, he was an avid  
23 supporter of the Judge Edward S. Marquez Library, and he advocated  
24 for the development of E. L. Williams Park; and

1           WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Cloud benefited from the  
2 love and support of his wife, Romelia, with whom he shared a  
3 fulfilling marriage that spanned more than six decades; the couple  
4 were blessed with 6 children, Edward, Ralph, Curtis, Brian, Sandra,  
5 and Martin, and with the passing years, they had the pleasure of  
6 welcoming into their family 13 grandchildren and 6  
7 great-grandchildren; and

8           WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Ralph Cloud  
9 will remember the way he touched their lives with his warmth and  
10 generosity, and he will forever hold a treasured place in their  
11 hearts; now, therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
13 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory  
14 of Ralph T. Cloud and extend heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn his  
15 passing; and, be it further

16           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ralph  
19 Cloud.

Ordaz Perez

H.R. No. 189

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 189 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on September 2, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House