H.R. No. 767

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Family and friends were deeply saddened by the passing of John Edward Fortenberry of Valley View on April 2, 2021, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, The son of Sloan and Christine Fortenberry, John Fortenberry was born on March 4, 1940, in Gainesville; this patriotic American answered his nation's call to duty by enlisting in the U.S. Army, and he went on to serve his community as the mayor of Valley View; he was a valued congregant of Valley View United Methodist Church for many years, as well as a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity; moreover, he had a great passion for flying and was a longtime pilot; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Fortenberry enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Betty, with whom he shared a rewarding marriage that spanned more than half a century; he was the proud father of two daughters, Susan and Paige, and he had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to include a beloved granddaughter, Emmaline; and

WHEREAS, John Fortenberry was a devoted family man and a significant asset to his community, and his commitment to his loved ones and to Valley View will be remembered and admired for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of John Edward Fortenberry and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of John Fortenberry.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 767 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 30, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House