H.R. No. 1074

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to a close with the passing of Vincent Michael Jones of Justin on August, 16, 2020, at the age of 63; and

WHEREAS, Vince Jones was born in Amarillo on February 3, 1957, to Ralph Lee Jones and Martha Sackett, and he grew up with the companionship of his sister, Leighann; answering his nation's call to duty, he joined the United States Navy and served for six years aboard the USS *Bagley*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones became a certified paramedic, and went on to work at the Children's Hospital of Texas for nearly a decade; he also served as a volunteer firefighter for many years before joining the Highland Village Fire Department as a firefighter and paramedic in 2002; over the course of his tenure with the department, he rose to the rank of equipment operator; in addition, he worked at the Texas Motor Speedway as head jump medic and at Code 3 Emergency Room & Urgent Care as a paramedic; he was also a Master Mason in the Grand Lodge of Texas East Dallas; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Jones enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Regina, and he took great pride in his three stepchildren and seven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, A devoted family man, proud military veteran, and dedicated public servant, Vince Jones will forever be a source of inspiration for those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Vincent Michael Jones and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Regina Jones; to his mother, Martha Sackett, and her husband, Paul; to his sister, Leighann Crist; to his stepsons, Matthew Smith and his wife, Emily, Sean Smith and his wife, Karla, and J. D. Smith and his wife, Heather; to his stepdaughter, Tiffaney Sterling; to his grandchildren, Tobin, Heidi, Lorelei, Ottilia, Kayden, Jayda, and Hezekiah; to his stepmother, Nancy Jones; and to his other relatives and many friends; now, therefore, be it

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 Vince Jones.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1074 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 14, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House