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H.R. No. 1271

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The family and friends of Alvin Jones Sr. suffered  
2 an immeasurable loss with his death on April 6, 2021, at the age of  
3 56; and

4           WHEREAS, The son of Mary McInnis and William Jones, Alvin  
5 Jones was born on September 3, 1964, in Norfolk, Virginia, and grew  
6 up sharing in the companionship of his five siblings, Mary, Cora,  
7 Barbara Ann, Lisa, Jerome, and his chosen brother, Montreal Newton;  
8 he received his bachelor's degree from Thomas Edison State College  
9 and continued his studies at Webster University, where he earned a  
10 master's degree in management and leadership; and

11           WHEREAS, Enlisting in the army in 1984, Mr. Jones went on to  
12 complete tours of duty in the U.S. as well as in Iraq, Kuwait,  
13 Hungary, Germany, Egypt, and Korea; he received numerous awards for  
14 his service, among them the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious  
15 Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal; he retired in 2012  
16 at the rank of command sergeant major; and

17           WHEREAS, Mr. Jones married the love of his life, the former  
18 Vurgess Dent, on January 29, 1993, and the couple shared a rewarding  
19 union that spanned nearly three decades; he was the proud father of  
20 two daughters, Alicia and Chelsi'rae, and three sons, Xaier, Alvin,  
21 and Aaron, and with the passing years, he had the pleasure of seeing  
22 his family grow to include six beloved grandchildren, Skylar,  
23 Terryn, Fe'lice, Brixton, London, and Aaron; and

24           WHEREAS, An avid supporter of youth sports, Mr. Jones was a

1 member of the board of West Texas Blazers Basketball, and he coached  
2 various children's teams and helped coordinate three youth football  
3 camps; he further benefited area children by leading a number of  
4 programs through the A&A All the Way Foundation; and

5 WHEREAS, Admired for his distinguished military service as  
6 well as for his dedication to his family and his community,  
7 Mr. Jones touched countless lives during his journey on this earth,  
8 and he will forever be a source of inspiration to those he leaves  
9 behind; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Alvin Jones Sr. and  
12 extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be it  
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alvin  
17 Jones.