

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
2 memories of Alfonso M. Soto Jr., who died on May 5, 2021, at the age
3 of 78; and

4 WHEREAS, Al Soto was born on December 12, 1942, to Concepcion
5 Maltos and Alfonso O. Soto Sr., and he grew up with two siblings,
6 Anabelia and Robert; he shared a rewarding union with Rebecca Soto,
7 his wife of 52 years, and he was the proud father of three children,
8 Elaine, Roxanne, and Alfonso; later in life he was blessed with two
9 grandchildren, Jacquelynn and Victoria, and he was an affectionate
10 uncle to his niece, Donna, and his nephews, Robert and Alan; and

11 WHEREAS, A lifelong athlete, Mr. Soto lettered in football,
12 basketball, baseball, and track in high school, and he attended
13 Texas Lutheran University on a baseball scholarship; he later
14 played baseball at Sul Ross State University, and after earning his
15 bachelor's degree there, he pitched for a Triple A baseball team, La
16 Liga del Norte, in Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico; and

17 WHEREAS, Following his athletic career, Mr. Soto taught at
18 San Felipe High School, where he also coached the football,
19 basketball, and baseball teams and rose to the position of athletic
20 director; he returned to Sul Ross to earn a master's degree in
21 education, and he went on to serve as a teacher, assistant
22 principal, and principal for the San Felipe Del Rio Consolidated
23 Independent School District for 35 years; and

24 WHEREAS, In his leisure time, Mr. Soto enjoyed hunting at his

1 ranch, coaching Little League, and playing bass in a band, Latin
2 Sound; he also served as president of the American GI Forum; and

3 WHEREAS, Alfonso Soto lived a full and generous life devoted
4 to his family and his profession, and he leaves behind a legacy that
5 will continue to inspire all those who knew and loved him; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Alfonso M. Soto Jr.
9 and extend heartfelt sympathy to his family and many friends; and,
10 be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alfonso M.
14 Soto Jr.

Morales of Maverick

H.R. No. 1454

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1454 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 26, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House