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## RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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ranch, coaching Little League, and playing bass in a band, Latin
 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

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

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