By: Dyson H.R. No. 75

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the 2 passing of former Brazos County district judge Richard W. B. Davis 3 of College Station on August 13, 2025, at the age of 61; and WHEREAS, Born on November 30, 1963, Rick Davis earned his 4 bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Texas 5 University, where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets; he was 6 7 commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army and served for a decade in the 49th Armored Division of the Texas Army National 8 9 Guard, rising to the rank of captain and commanding an M-1 Tank Company; he was employed concurrently as a NASA engineer and 10 11 received the prestigious McDonnell Douglas General Manager's 12 Award; while serving his fellow Americans, he also continued his education; he graduated from the University of Houston Bates Law 13 14 Center in 1992; and WHEREAS, Mr. Davis joined a prominent Bryan law firm before 15 16 establishing his litigation practice in 1995; elected to the bench, he served as a judge for Brazos County Court at Law No. 2 from 1998 17 to 2000 and for the 272nd District Court of Texas from 2000 to 2008; 18 he was recognized for his diligence and wisdom, and in 2006, he was 19 20 ranked highest among district judges in the Brazos County Bar 21 Association's poll; returning to private practice in 2008, he founded Rick Davis & Associates; he set an example of integrity and 22 23 compassion, and he was a kind mentor to young lawyers and students; benefiting his profession, he served on the boards of the local bar 24

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- 1 association and the Blinn College Paralegal Program; he further
- 2 served on the board of SOS Ministries and authored The Prison
- 3 Sermons to encourage inmates and their families; and
- WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Davis shared a fulfilling
- 5 marriage of nearly 39 years with his best friend, Carolyn; he loved
- 6 surprising her with flowers and planning little adventures with
- 7 her; the proud father of six children, he cheered them on at all
- 8 their events, took them hunting, and never missed an opportunity to
- 9 tell them a captivating story or a good dad joke; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Although Rick Davis is deeply missed by those he
- 11 left behind, they will continue to find inspiration in his
- 12 dedication to his family, his faith, and his country; now,
- 13 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 15 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 16 Richard W. B. Davis and extend sincere sympathy to the members of
- 17 his family: to his wife, Carolyn Davis; to his children, Luke Davis
- 18 and his wife, Alyssa, Joshua Davis and his wife, Lizzie, Aaron
- 19 Davis, Paul Davis and his wife, Angela, Libby Davis, and Tim Davis;
- 20 to his grandchildren, Vivienne, Wesley, Jackson, Joy, and Taylor;
- 21 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Rick Davis.