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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived may help to comfort  
2 those saddened by the passing of Carl Wayne Warwick of Houston on  
3 April 5, 2025, at the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, Carl Warwick was born in Dallas on February 27,  
5 1937, the son of Beulah and Jay Carl Warwick; he grew up with the  
6 companionship of a brother, Tommy, and he graduated from Sunset  
7 High School in 1955; he went on to attend Texas Christian University  
8 on a baseball scholarship, earning All-Conference honors in 1956  
9 and being selected an NCAA All-American the following year; his  
10 stellar play attracted the attention of scouts, and he signed a pro  
11 contract at the age of 20, forgoing his senior season at TCU; and

12 WHEREAS, After honing his skills in the minor leagues,  
13 Mr. Warwick made his Major League Baseball debut with the Los  
14 Angeles Dodgers in 1961 and was traded to the St. Louis Cardinals  
15 later that year; following a season with the Houston Colt .45s, he  
16 returned to the Cardinals and is best known for his pivotal  
17 performance in the team's win over the New York Yankees in the 1964  
18 World Series; coming off the bench as a pinch hitter, he recorded a  
19 total of three hits, tying a record that still stands today, and his  
20 clutch single in Game 4 led to a grand slam that enabled St. Louis  
21 to even the series; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Warwick also played for the Baltimore Orioles  
23 and the Chicago Cubs before retiring in 1966; he then founded the  
24 real estate investment company Carl Warwick and Associates; he

1 remained involved in baseball, serving as chairman of the Major  
2 League Baseball Players Alumni Association and helping start the  
3 Rotary Smith Award, which honors college baseball's player of the  
4 year; moreover, he was a member of the Harris County-Houston Sports  
5 Authority for 12 years; he was inducted into the TCU Lettermen's  
6 Association Hall Of Fame in 1989 and the Texas Baseball Hall of Fame  
7 in 2003; and

8       WHEREAS, Mr. Warwick shared 67 years of marriage with his  
9 beloved wife, Nancy Hensler Warwick, and he took great pride in  
10 their daughters, Karla and Julie; with the passing years, he had the  
11 pleasure of seeing the family grow to include 6 grandchildren,  
12 Daniel, David, Jay, Gregory, Jennifer, and Vanessa, and 10  
13 great-grandchildren, Luke, Ellie, Aubrey, Scottie, Bennett,  
14 Charlotte, Caleb, Morgan, Cade, and Sloane; he was a longtime  
15 member of Champion Forest Baptist Church, and through the years, he  
16 supported a number of charities; in his free time, he enjoyed  
17 playing golf, fishing, and telling stories of his time in baseball;  
18 and

19       WHEREAS, Carl Warwick distinguished himself as a gifted  
20 athlete, an accomplished entrepreneur, and a devoted family man,  
21 and his achievements will be admired for many years to come; now,  
22 therefore, be it

23       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Carl Wayne Warwick  
25 and extend sincere condolences to his family and friends; and, be it  
26 further

27       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Carl  
3 Warwick.