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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Countless lives were touched by the kindness and
- 2 generosity of Richard Dennis Worrell of Plano, who passed away on
- 3 May 17, 2025, at the age of 81; and
- WHEREAS, The son of James and Marian Worrell, Dennis Worrell
- 5 was born on December 19, 1943, in Yakima, Washington, and grew up
- 6 sharing in the companionship of his two older brothers, Ronald and
- 7 Duane; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Worrell enlisted in the U.S. Army at a young
- 9 age, and over the course of a 25-year career with the military, he
- 10 bravely served his country in Vietnam; following his retirement
- 11 from the army, he spent another 15 years training soldiers on
- 12 military technology as an army defense contractor; along the way,
- 13 he earned a bachelor's degree from Cameron University and a master's
- 14 degree from Golden Gate University; and
- WHEREAS, On May 27, 1972, Mr. Worrell married the former
- 16 Mary Lou Sifuentes, and the couple went on to share a richly
- 17 rewarding union that spanned more than half a century; he took great
- 18 pride in his children, Christina and Richard, and with the passing
- 19 years, he had the privilege of seeing his family grow to include
- 20 four grandchildren, Ryan, Elizabeth, Leah, and Nicole; and
- 21 WHEREAS, After traveling the world during his time in the
- 22 military, Mr. Worrell settled in Plano with his family and embraced
- 23 his adopted state, becoming a fan of the Texas Longhorns and the
- 24 Dallas Cowboys; he enjoyed a variety of activities in his leisure

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- 1 hours, including traveling, playing cards, and hosting pool
- 2 parties; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his family, his faith, and his
- 4 country, Dennis Worrell earned the lasting respect and admiration
- 5 of all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Dennis
- 8 Worrell and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family:
- 9 to his wife, Mary Worrell; to his children, Christina Worrell
- 10 Adkins and her husband, Michael, and Richard Dennis Worrell Jr. and
- 11 his wife, Victoria; to his grandchildren, Ryan and Elizabeth
- 12 Adkins, Leah Worrell, and Nicole Lujan; and to his many other
- 13 relatives and friends; and, be it 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 Dennis
- 17 Worrell.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1457 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on June 1, 2025.

Chief Clerk of the House