

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Texas School for the Deaf alumnus Robert Rives was a dedicated educator and a trailblazing figure in the state's deaf and hard of hearing community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rives became the first TSD alumnus to attend the prestigious National College, which is today known as Gallaudet University, in Washington, D.C.; following his graduation in 1893, he embarked on a rewarding career as a teacher at TSD that spanned more than four decades; he also served as the school's first football coach from 1894 to 1898, achieving a record of 10-8-1; among his many honors, he was inducted into the Texas School for the Deaf Alumni Association Hall of Fame in the sports category in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Robert Rives continues to be a source of inspiration to young athletes at the Texas School for the Deaf, and the naming of the TSD middle school gymnasium in his honor would be a fitting tribute to his legacy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby direct the Texas School for the Deaf to name its middle school gymnasium the Robert Rives Gymnasium; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the secretary of state forward an official copy of this resolution to the Governing Board of the Texas School for the Deaf.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 5 was adopted by the Senate on March 19, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 5 was adopted by the House on May 23, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 129, Nays 5, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor