

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to
2 a close with the passing of Dr. Edwin Earl Favors of Dallas on April
3 5, 2021, at the age of 46; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on February 26, 1975, Edwin Favors was the son
5 of Debra Hall and her husband, Jerry, and Marvis Favors and his
6 wife, Pat, and he was the brother of two sisters, Lorieann and
7 NiKeisha; at the age of 13, he began teaching youth at Faithful
8 Missionary Baptist Church in Dallas; he earned his bachelor's
9 degree at Howard Payne University, and while in Brownwood, he
10 worked as a disc jockey at a Christian music station, taught music
11 and chorus at Brownwood Intermediate School, and served as minister
12 of music for Living Word Church and Greater Faith Community Church,
13 where he became senior associate pastor; moreover, he traveled the
14 world with the Howard Payne A Cappella Choir and Heritage Singers;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Favors returned to Dallas in 2000 and served at
17 his home church while teaching music, choir, and seventh-grade
18 reading in the DeSoto Independent School District; following two
19 years in full-time ministry, he taught at Clay Academy and then
20 rejoined DeSoto ISD as a director of general and choral music
21 activities; he went on to fill a similar role at Seagoville and
22 Billy Earl Dade Middle Schools in Dallas ISD; in 2002, he
23 established Praise Fellowship Church, and he was also the founder
24 of Switching Systems Independent Ministries and Churches and

1 oversaw the SALTT religious radio and television stations;
2 furthermore, he was executive chef and CEO of Praise Fellowship
3 Catering; he earned a master's degree in educational administration
4 and a doctoral degree in organizational leadership from Grand
5 Canyon University; in all his endeavors, he was supported by the
6 love and encouragement of his wife, Pastor Ellyn Nicole Neal
7 Favors; he was preceded in death by their daughter, Ellysabeth; and

8 WHEREAS, Although Edwin Favors is deeply missed, memories of
9 his great devotion to his family and his faith remain to comfort and
10 inspire those he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. Edwin Earl Favors
13 and extend sincere sympathy to his loved ones; 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 Dr. Edwin
17 Earl Favors.

Sherman, Sr.

H.R. No. 927

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 927 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 8, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House