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H.R. No. 16

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 the Reverend Dr. George V. Clark of
3 Austin on April 21, 2022, at the age of 92; and

4 WHEREAS, George Clark was born to the Reverend Amos Clark and
5 Helen Rutledge Clark in Webberville on July 24, 1929; following a
6 tour of duty in the military, he earned a bachelor's degree from
7 Huston-Tillotson University and a master of divinity degree at the
8 Seminary of the Southwest; he completed his education at The
9 University of Texas at Austin and the Andover Newton Seminary at
10 Yale University, and he received an honorary doctorate from
11 Huston-Tillotson; and

12 WHEREAS, Reverend Clark was ordained as a minister at College
13 Heights Baptist Church in Austin, and he served as pastor for
14 St. Mary's Baptist Church in Pflugerville and Sweet Home Baptist
15 Church in Round Rock; in 1970, he assumed the pulpit of Mt. Zion
16 Baptist Church in Austin, where for half a century he ably guided
17 the congregation; he was also involved in a number of faith-based
18 organizations; in addition to his pastoral work, he was a teacher in
19 the Round Rock Independent School District, and he held several
20 positions with the Texas Rehabilitation Commission, including
21 director of training and director of the Office of Civil Rights; and

22 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Reverend Clark enjoyed the
23 love and support of his wife, Bobbie Jean Higgins Clark, with whom
24 he shared a fulfilling union that spanned more than 40 years until

1 her passing in 2001; he took great pride in his two children, Vicki
2 and Vincent, and he had the pleasure of seeing his family grow to
3 include three grandchildren, Tony, Sydney, and Mary, and three
4 great-grandchildren, Carlton, Amari, and Antoni; and

5 WHEREAS, George Clark lived a rich and purposeful life
6 centered around his faith and his family, and he will long be
7 remembered with deep affection by those who had the pleasure to know
8 him; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of the Reverend
11 Dr. George V. Clark and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn
12 his passing; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of the
16 Reverend Dr. George Clark.