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H.R. No. 404

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Kerr County lost an admired civic
2 leader and friend to many with the passing of Herbert Allen Baldwin
3 on March 21, 2022, at the age of 73; and

4 WHEREAS, The youngest child of Cecil and Fannie Mae Baldwin,
5 "Buster" Baldwin was born in Fredericksburg on May 11, 1948; he
6 attended schools in Hunt and Kerrville; in 1972, he met his future
7 wife, Debbie, and they eloped on December 3 of that year; they were
8 blessed with two children, Bonnie and Jesse, and their family later
9 grew to include nine grandchildren, Taylor, Emily, Bailey Jo,
10 Joshua, Titus, Abby, Libby, Hudson, and Judah; Mr. Baldwin loved
11 supporting them all at their many athletic events; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1982, Mr. Baldwin joined the Hunt school board,
13 and he went on to become district director for U.S. Congressman Tom
14 Loeffler; he was elected to the Kerr County Commissioners Court
15 from Precinct 4 in 1987 and served until 1991, when he began a
16 five-year tenure as district director for State Representative
17 Harvey Hilderbran; from 1997 to 2016, he represented Precinct 1 on
18 the commissioners court; during nearly a quarter century on the
19 court, he played a key role in such projects as the renovation of
20 the courthouse annex and Turtle Creek School, the creation of new
21 district courtrooms, the passage of a bond to renovate the county
22 jail, and improvements to the Hill Country Youth Event Center; he
23 was admired by all for his diligence, dedication, and candor, and he
24 brightened the days of many with his sense of humor and gift for

1 storytelling; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Baldwin set an example of strong faith, and he
3 reveled in life's simple pleasures; passionate about music, he
4 enjoyed playing washtub bass with several groups; over the years,
5 he was seldom seen without a cherished canine companion by his side;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community,
8 Buster Baldwin made a meaningful difference in the lives of his
9 loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be
10 fondly remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Herbert Allen
13 Baldwin and extend sincere sympathy to all who mourn his passing;
14 and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Buster
18 Baldwin.