H.R. No. 620

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The life of an esteemed physician drew to a close 2 with the passing of Dr. Harmon Watson Kelley of San Antonio on 3 January 26, 2023, at the age of 77; and

WHEREAS, Born in Cameron on June 22, 1945, Harmon Kelley was 4 5 the son of Harmon and Shirley Kelley; he grew up with four siblings, Constance, Danny, David, and Marvin, and he graduated 6 as valedictorian of the Class of 1963 at O. J. Thomas High School; he 7 was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Army while studying at 8 9 Prairie View A&M University, where he graduated cum laude, and he went on to earn his doctor of medicine degree from The University of 10 11 Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; a member of the U.S. Army Medical 12 Corps, he completed his obstetrics and gynecology residency at William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso; and 13

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Kelley was subsequently stationed at Fort Hood 15 in Killeen, serving as chief of the obstetrics and gynecology 16 department at the Darnall Army Medical Center; in 1978, he moved to 17 San Antonio and founded Southeast OB-GYN Associates, P.A., where he 18 practiced for 44 years; in other tenures, he served as chief of 19 staff of the former Southeast Baptist Hospital and chair of the 20 OB/GYN Department for the Baptist Health System; and

21 WHEREAS, Widely respected, Dr. Kelley received the Ashbel 22 Smith Distinguished Alumni Award, the highest honor bestowed by the 23 UTMB School of Medicine Alumni Association; he also garnered the 24 Baptist Health System W. B. Russ Lifetime Achievement Award and the

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1 prestigious Golden Aesculapius Award from the Bexar County Medical 2 Society; in 2004, Dr. Harmon W. Kelley Elementary School in San 3 Antonio was established in his honor; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kelley enjoyed the love and support of his wife of 53 years, Harriet, and he took great pride in their two daughters, Margaret and Jennifer; and

7 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community, 8 Dr. Harmon Kelley made a meaningful difference in the lives of his 9 patients and fellow citizens, and his contributions will resonate 10 for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 11 12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Harmon Watson Kelley and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his 13 14 family: to his wife, Harriet O'Banion Kelley; to his daughters, Dr. Margaret A. Kelley and Jennifer R. Kelley; to his sister, 15 Constance Ward; to his brothers, Dr. Danny Kelley and his wife, 16 17 Dr. Janice Kelley, and David Kelley and his wife, Karen Kelley; to his brother-in-law, Charles H. O'Banion, Esq.; and to all others 18 who mourn his passing; and, be it further 19

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Harmon 23 Kelley.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 620 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 30, 2023.

Chief Clerk of the House