By: Veasey

H.R. No. 186

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Joel Howard Ihms of Dallas on January 2 25, 2009, at the age of 30, has deeply saddened all those who were 3 fortunate enough to know him; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong Texan, Joel Howard Ihms graduated from Highland Park High School in Dallas in 1996, and is warmly remembered by his fellow classmates and teachers; and

7 WHEREAS, Joel Howard Ihms was gifted with a remarkable 8 singing voice, and used his ability to bring joy to all who knew 9 him; and

WHEREAS, Joel Howard Ihms was, at the time of his joining, the 10 youngest-ever member of the Turtle Creek Chorale, 11 the 12 world-renowned, Dallas-based men's choir that has brought recognition and honor to Texas through performances around the 13 14 world; and

15 WHEREAS, Joel Howard Ihms enriched the lives of all who knew 16 him with his kindness, humor, generosity and selfless spirit, and 17 will forever hold a treasured place in the hearts of his family and 18 friends; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Joel Howard Ihms and 21 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family and his many 22 friends; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 24 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of

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H.R. No. 186 1 Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in memory of Joel

2 Howard Ihms.