

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Lone Star State lost a distinguished jurist and
2 admired civic leader with the death of the Honorable Frank
3 Harrington Crain, who passed away on June 9, 2011, at the age of 90;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Victoria, Frank Crain was born on
6 January 21, 1921, to Francis Harrington and Corinne Staerker Crain;
7 he graduated from Patti Welder High School and went on to attend
8 Schreiner Institute and The University of Texas at Austin; and

9 WHEREAS, Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Mr. Crain
10 joined the U.S. Army and served his country with distinction in the
11 China-Burma-India and European theaters during World War II;
12 commissioned as a second lieutenant, he was awarded a number of
13 honors for his dedication to duty, including multiple campaign
14 service stars, the Bronze Star and Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Good
15 Conduct Medal; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Crain subsequently returned to The University of
17 Texas, graduating with a degree in law; he began his notable legal
18 career in Victoria, and after serving his fellow residents in the
19 Texas House of Representatives for two years, he was elected to
20 serve as Victoria County judge in 1955; and

21 WHEREAS, Judge Crain's dedicated work earned him appointment
22 to the 135th District Court by Governor Price Daniel in 1959; he
23 continued in that position for nearly three decades, resigning from
24 the bench in 1988; in the following years, he served with the law

1 firm of Cole McManus Cole Easley & Bell; and

2 WHEREAS, Active in his community, Judge Crain was president
3 of the Sons of the American Revolution and founding president of the
4 Gulf Bend Foundation; he further shared his time with the boards of
5 CASA, the Victoria Community Theater, the Victoria Youth Home,
6 Foster Parents, the Victoria Symphony, the Victoria County
7 Courthouse Restoration Committee, and the Victoria College
8 Foundation; and

9 WHEREAS, Through the years, he was recognized for his
10 committed efforts by the Rotary Club, which honored him with the
11 Paul Harris Fellowship award, and the South Texas Council of Boy
12 Scouts of America, which named him Distinguished Citizen of the
13 Year in 2004; and

14 WHEREAS, Judge Crain was also a man of faith; he served the
15 congregation of Trinity Episcopal Church as a vestryman, a role he
16 also held at St. Francis Episcopal Church, where he was a founding
17 member and senior warden; in addition, he worked on a number of
18 committees for the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas; and

19 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Judge Crain was supported
20 by his loving family; married for 68 years to Olive Bell Crain, he
21 was blessed with four daughters, Katherine, Pamela, Olive, and
22 Julie, as well as two grandsons, John and Henry; and

23 WHEREAS, Highly regarded for his contributions to Victoria
24 County and to the State of Texas, Frank Crain leaves behind a legacy
25 of public service that will long be remembered by all who were
26 privileged to share in the richness of his life; now, therefore, be
27 it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
2 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
3 of the Honorable Frank Harrington Crain and extend deepest sympathy
4 to the members of his family: to his wife, Olive Bell Crain; to his
5 daughters, Dr. Pamela Crain, Olive Crain, and Julie Heinitsh and
6 her husband, John; to his grandchildren, John and Henry Heinitsh;
7 and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Frank
11 Harrington Crain.

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Anchia	Hamilton	Oliveira
Anderson of Dallas	Hancock	Orr
Anderson of McLennan	Hardcastle	Otto
Aycock	Harless	Parker
Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
Berman	Hartnett	Paxton
Bohac	Hernandez Luna	Pena
Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
Brown	Hopson	Pickett
Burkett	Howard of Fort Bend	Pitts
Burnam	Howard of Travis	Price
Button	Huberty	Quintanilla
Cain	Hughes	Raymond
Callegari	Hunter	Reynolds
Carter	Isaac	Riddle
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Christian	Keffer	Schwertner
Coleman	King of Parker	Scott
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H.R. No. 166

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 166 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on June 28, 2011.

Chief Clerk of the House