

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 death of George Milton Keller of Mason on March 2, 2010, at the age
3 of 75; and

4 WHEREAS, George Keller was born on his family's Loma Vista
5 ranch, 12 miles south of Mason, on May 1, 1934, and he grew up with a
6 deep appreciation of the land and country life; in his youth, he
7 worked on the ranch and formed a lifelong bond with a group of high
8 school friends who called themselves the James River Cowboys; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Keller attended Texas A&M University before
10 serving his country as a member of the United States Navy; one
11 evening in San Antonio, he had the good fortune to meet a young
12 Canadian nurse on vacation, and less than a year later, he and the
13 former Janet Hayes were married; the couple were blessed with five
14 children, Michael, Mark, John, Laura, and Kathryn, and with the
15 passing decades, the family grew to include 10 grandchildren; and

16 WHEREAS, For many years, Mr. Keller ran Mason County Farm
17 Bureau Insurance, and it was widely known that his word was his
18 bond; he greatly enjoyed working as a guide during hunting season
19 and relished the camaraderie he shared with his fellow guides; and

20 WHEREAS, In 2000, he was ordained as a deacon and began
21 serving the members of St. Joseph Parish by performing baptisms,
22 weddings, funerals, and other duties; and

23 WHEREAS, George Keller's life was centered around his family,
24 his faith, and his friends, and he will forever be remembered with

1 admiration and affection by all who had the good fortune to know
2 him; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of George Milton
5 Keller and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
6 his wife, Janet Hayes Keller; to his sons, Michael Keller and his
7 wife, Juanita, Mark Keller and his wife, Lisa, and John Keller and
8 his wife, Sherry; to his daughters, Laura Keith and her husband,
9 Shane, and Kathryn Ray and her husband, Chad; to his grandchildren,
10 Logan, Mason, Lauren, Hayden, Tyson, Tristin, Cameron, Lauren,
11 Keller Ann, and George; to his sisters, Rosemary Kruckemeyer and
12 Sue Forestello; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
13 further

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

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H.R. No. 1451

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1451 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 12, 2011.

Chief Clerk of the House