

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Former state representative Hill Kemp is making an  
2 impressive contribution toward addressing a major problem facing  
3 this state, the availability of safe, clean drinking water; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. Kemp, a chemical engineer, is CEO of KII, Inc.,  
5 a company that holds a patent on a solar still, its Suns River  
6 technology, that is based on a process proposed by Aristotle and  
7 that produces distilled water from saline water using solar energy;  
8 and

9           WHEREAS, In 2011, the company received a grant from the  
10 U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to install a commercial-sized module of  
11 the Suns River desalination process at the Brackish Groundwater  
12 Desalination Research Facility in Alamogordo, New Mexico; and

13           WHEREAS, The success of that pilot project led to a decision  
14 by The University of Texas at El Paso to conduct further research,  
15 and a collaborative effort among UTEP, the Bureau of Reclamation,  
16 and KII, Inc., is underway at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination  
17 Plant in El Paso; and

18           WHEREAS, Texas has a critical need for good, potable water to  
19 maintain lives and businesses, and by harnessing the power of the  
20 sun to produce freshwater, Mr. Kemp is working to create a  
21 healthier and more prosperous future; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
23 Legislature hereby congratulate former state representative Hill  
24 Kemp on the development of a solar still project for water

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1 desalination and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
2 success; and, be it further

3         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for Mr. Kemp as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
5 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1528 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2013, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House