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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.