By: Wu H.R. No. 1823

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories
- 2 of Ralph Kilpatrick Cox Brown of Houston, who passed away on
- 3 February 25, 2013, at the age of 61; and
- WHEREAS, Ralph Brown was born in Beaumont on June 28, 1951, to
- 5 Ralph and Peggy Cox, and after the death of his father, he took the
- 6 surname of his stepfather, Glenn Brown; he attended Washington and
- 7 Lee High School in Virginia, where he excelled in track and field,
- 8 and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in economics from The
- 9 University of Texas at Austin; he remained a loyal Longhorn
- 10 supporter throughout his life; and
- 11 WHEREAS, A senior account manager with Cummins Allison,
- 12 Mr. Brown won the company's Century Club award; he was also an
- 13 active member of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, and he taught
- 14 RCIA, served as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and
- 15 participated in the ACTS programs; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Brown belonged to the Baronial Order of Magna
- 17 Charta, whose members are descendants of one of the original 25
- 18 Sureties; he was deeply proud of his heritage, and his ancestors
- 19 include Presidents John and John Quincy Adams, the Delano family,
- 20 and three Pilgrim families who arrived on the Mayflower; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Above all else, Mr. Brown was devoted to his wife,
- 22 the former Susan Permetti Howard, whom he met through his
- 23 involvement in the St. Thomas More community, and to his children,
- 24 Neal, Karis, and Annemarie; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Admired for his generosity, strength of character,
- 2 and delightful sense of humor, Ralph Brown lived a caring and
- 3 purposeful life, and he will forever hold a special place in the
- 4 hearts of all who had the good fortune to know him; now, therefore,
- 5 be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ralph Kilpatrick
- 8 Cox Brown and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family:
- 9 to his wife, Susan Brown; to his children, Neal Brown, Karis Crain
- 10 and her husband, Aaron, and Annemarie Howard; to his mother, Peggy
- 11 Brown; to his sisters, Peggy Gunter, Kathryn Colby Smith, and Missy
- 12 Gannaway and her husband, Steve; to his brothers, Michael Brown and
- 13 Glenn Brown, Jr.; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it
- 14 further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ralph
- 18 Kilpatrick Cox Brown.