SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 199

In Memory of David William Crews

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Conroe in mourning the loss of former state representative and civic leader David William Crews, who died February 8, 2015, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished gentleman was widely respected and admired for his many achievements and for his countless contributions to the growth and prosperity of Conroe and Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, David Crews was born on February 18, 1933; he established his legal practice in Conroe in 1957, and three years later, he was elected to the Texas House of Representatives at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of his legislative career, he introduced a number of far-reaching pieces of legislation; most notable of these was the resolution that led to the creation of the George J. Beto Criminal Justice Center at Sam Houston State University; one of the oldest criminal justice programs in the nation, it has grown to become one of the largest and has gained an international reputation for excellence; and

WHEREAS, His many other contributions to the area include his role in the establishment of the Montgomery County Hospital District, for which he served as legal counsel for many years; he was also the longtime attorney for the Montgomery County Housing Finance Corporation, and his efforts were essential in securing the funding for the construction of North Loop 336 in Conroe; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crews was active in a number of professional and philanthropic organizations; he served on the boards of Allied Conroe and Allied Jetero Banks, the Conroe YMCA, the Montgomery County Food Bank, the Conroe Symphony, and Tri-County Services; he was a longtime member of the Conroe Chamber of Commerce, which paid tribute to him for his many contributions to the community by placing his name on its Wall of Honor in 2010; and

WHEREAS, He was a man of courage, compassion, and integrity who gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, He was devoted to his family, and he leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of David William Crews; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of David Crews.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 18, 2015, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate