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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Residents of Atlanta, Texas, were deeply saddened by
- 2 the untimely death of Mayor Keith Crow, who passed away on July 22,
- 3 2017, at the age of 61; and
- WHEREAS, The son of J. W. Crow and Emily Crow, Keith Crow was
- 5 born in Atlanta on January 4, 1956, and grew up with a brother,
- 6 Johnny, and a sister, Elaine; he attended Atlanta High School and
- 7 went on to graduate from East Texas State University; becoming a
- 8 valued member of the business community, he established Keith Crow
- 9 Realty; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Mr. Crow was first elected mayor in 2006, and he was
- 11 long dedicated to civic life; for nearly four decades, he was a
- 12 member of the Lions Club, and he furthered the group's charitable
- 13 endeavors in numerous ways, selling raffle tickets, organizing
- 14 concessions at sports events and the Forest Festival, and donating
- 15 to worthy causes; he served as president, song leader, and "tail
- 16 twister," and he was always quick to make new and returning members
- 17 feel welcome, offering his ever-present smile and a hearty
- 18 handshake; in addition, he gave generously in support of local
- 19 students and athletes who excelled and he served on the boards and
- 20 steering committees of many organizations; he was active in the
- 21 Atlanta Area Chamber of Commerce, which named him Man of the Year in
- 22 1985; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Mr. Crow took great pride in
- 24 his son, Blake, and his daughter, Lauren; he was loyal to his

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- 1 siblings and treated his nieces, his nephews, and their children
- 2 like grandchildren of his own; a valued member of First Baptist
- 3 Church, he lent his beautiful voice to the First Praise Adult Choir
- 4 and Boundless Love Quartet, and countless people were inspired by
- 5 the profound faith he expressed through song; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Keith Crow made a lasting, positive difference in
- 7 his community, and those who were privileged to know him will
- 8 forever remember the joy he brought into their lives with his
- 9 kindness, warmth, and wonderful sense of humor; now, therefore, be
- 10 it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 12 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
- 13 of Keith Crow and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his
- 14 passing; and, be it 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 Keith Crow.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 228 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on August 15, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House