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H.R. No. 228

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4           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

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.