

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and  
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends  
3 of Bernard Jerome Seal Jr. of Corpus Christi, who passed away on  
4 January 12, 2017, at the age of 57; and

5           WHEREAS, The son of Bernard Seal Sr. and Evelyn Abrams Seal  
6 Kraus, B. J. Seal was born in 1959 in Florence, Alabama; he moved  
7 with his family to Corpus Christi in 1962, and throughout his life,  
8 he considered the city to be his true home; an alumnus of King High  
9 School, he went on to graduate from Southwest Texas State  
10 University in San Marcos, where he was a member of Sigma Nu  
11 fraternity; and

12           WHEREAS, After returning to Corpus Christi, Mr. Seal took a  
13 job as a real estate agent with his family's firm, Berney Seal Co.  
14 Realtors; his love for good food eventually led him to embark on a  
15 second career as the proprietor of Bernard's Deli, which later  
16 became Bernard's Catering; and

17           WHEREAS, Though his journey on this earth ended far too soon,  
18 B. J. Seal touched the lives of countless individuals with his  
19 warmth, his generosity, and his delightful wit, and he will always  
20 be remembered with great affection by those he leaves behind; now,  
21 therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Bernard Jerome Seal  
24 Jr. and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to

1 his children, Bernard Seal III, Connor Seal, and Sabrina Seal; to  
2 his fiancée, Jena Kauffmann; to his mother, Evelyn Kraus, and his  
3 stepfather, Dr. Melvin Kraus; to his stepmother, Shirley Seal; to  
4 his brothers, Mark Seal and his wife, Laura, and Eddie Seal and his  
5 wife, Melissa; to his stepsisters, Marsha Underberg and her  
6 husband, Mike, and Marlene Wright and her husband, Jimbo; to his  
7 stepbrothers, Dr. Alan Kraus and his wife, Malea, Dr. David Kraus  
8 and his wife, Cathy, and Glen McElroy and his wife, Del; and to his  
9 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of B. J. Seal.

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H.R. No. 233

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 233 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 23, 2017.

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Chief Clerk of the House