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H.R. No. 306

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of Dallas lost an accomplished attorney and
2 admired philanthropist with the passing of Michael Francis Wurst on
3 January 11, 2017, at the age of 58; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of David and Anne Wurst, Michael Wurst was
5 born in Pontiac, Michigan, on September 15, 1958, and grew up with
6 the companionship of four siblings, Andrea, Jerry, Tom, and Peter;
7 a member of the Class of 1976 at St. Joseph High School in South
8 Bend, Indiana, he went on to graduate with a bachelor's degree in
9 psychology from the University of North Texas in 1981 and a juris
10 doctor degree from the University of Houston in 1986; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Wurst built a successful career in real estate
12 and financial law that spanned more than three decades, and he most
13 recently served as associate general counsel for ORIX USA; in
14 addition to his busy professional life, he dedicated his time and
15 energies in behalf of numerous worthwhile organizations, including
16 Youth with Faces, the Catholic Charities of Dallas Archangels Men's
17 Club, the Dallas Parochial League, the UNT Dallas College of Law,
18 the ORIX Foundation, Café Momentum, the St. Vincent DePaul Society,
19 the North Texas Food Bank, and several local schools; and

20 WHEREAS, In his leisure hours, Mr. Wurst was a voracious
21 reader, an enthusiastic patron of the arts, and an avid sports fan
22 who held season tickets to the Dallas Mavericks for more than a
23 quarter century; in meeting life's challenges, he drew great
24 strength and inspiration from his faith, and he cherished the time

1 spent in the company of his loved ones; he was devoted to his wife,
2 Robin Minick, and took tremendous pride in his four sons, Anthony,
3 Nicholas, Vincent, and Kyle; and

4 WHEREAS, Michael Wurst lived a life that was rich in personal
5 and professional achievements, and though his time on this earth
6 was too brief, memories of his kindness, generosity of spirit, and
7 wonderful sense of humor remain to comfort those who had the
8 privilege to know him; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Michael Francis Wurst
11 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family and to
12 his many friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Michael
16 Wurst.