

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The year 2019 marks the 46th anniversary of the year  
2 the Honorable Mickey Leland was sworn in as a member of the Texas  
3 House of Representatives; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Lubbock in 1944, George Thomas "Mickey"  
5 Leland III grew up in Houston's Fifth Ward and earned his bachelor's  
6 degree in pharmacy at Texas Southern University; while working as  
7 an instructor of clinical pharmacy at his alma mater, he developed  
8 an educational outreach campaign offering medical screenings to  
9 low-income residents; and

10           WHEREAS, Congressman Leland was only 28 when he won election  
11 to the Texas House of Representatives from District 88, then  
12 located in Harris County; he quickly gained renown as a champion of  
13 health care for the poor, and he helped secure passage of  
14 legislation giving those in need access to affordable generic  
15 drugs; a member of numerous committees, he became the first African  
16 American to serve on the Senate-House Conference Committee as a  
17 member of the House Appropriations Committee, and he was vice chair  
18 of the Joint Committee on Prison Reform; and

19           WHEREAS, In 1978, following three terms in the Texas  
20 Legislature, Congressman Leland was elected to the United States  
21 House of Representatives; he founded the House Select Committee on  
22 Hunger and helped establish the National Commission on AIDS; in  
23 addition, he secured passage of bills providing fresh produce to  
24 low-income families and medical clinics and food to the homeless;

1 he also served as chair of the Black Caucus, and he won praise from  
2 the State Department for his successful efforts in arranging the  
3 release of four Americans imprisoned in Cuba; tragically, he lost  
4 his life in a plane crash in 1989, while leading a relief mission to  
5 a refugee camp in Ethiopia; his contributions have since continued  
6 to resonate, and over the years, a number of facilities and  
7 initiatives have been renamed in his honor, among them a federal  
8 building in Houston, the Texas Commission on Environmental  
9 Quality's Internship Program, and the Mickey Leland College  
10 Preparatory Academy for Young Men; moreover, the Barbara  
11 Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs at Texas Southern  
12 University celebrates the contributions of these two  
13 groundbreaking representatives from the 18th Congressional  
14 District; and

15 WHEREAS, Mickey Leland demonstrated a tremendous commitment  
16 to his fellow Texans and to vulnerable people the world over, and  
17 his legacy remains a source of inspiration to all; now, therefore,  
18 be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
20 Legislature hereby commemorate the 46th anniversary of Mickey  
21 Leland being sworn in as a member of the Texas House of  
22 Representatives.

Reynolds

Bonnen of Brazoria	Guerra	Oliverson
Allen	Guillen	Ortega
Allison	Gutierrez	Pacheco
Anchia	Harless	Paddie
Anderson	Harris	Parker
Ashby	Hefner	Patterson
Bailes	Hernandez	Paul
Beckley	Herrero	Perez
Bell of Kaufman	Hinojosa	Phelan
Bell of Montgomery	Holland	Price
Bernal	Howard	Ramos
Biedermann	Huberty	Raney
Blanco	Hunter	Raymond
Bohac	Israel	Reynolds
Bonnen of Galveston	E. Johnson of Dallas	Rodriguez
Bowers	J. Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Buckley	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Bucy	Kacal	Rosenthal
Burns	King of Hemphill	Sanford
Burrows	King of Parker	Schaefer
Button	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Cain	Klick	Sheffield
Calanni	Krause	Sherman, Sr.
Canales	Kuempel	Shine
Capriglione	Lambert	Smith
Clardy	Landgraf	Smithee
Cole	Lang	Springer
Coleman	Larson	Stephenson
Collier	Leach	Stickland
Cortez	Leman	Stucky
Craddick	Longoria	Swanson
Cyrier	Lozano	Talarico
Darby	Lucio III	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Martinez	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Martinez Fischer	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Metcalf	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Meyer	Toth
Dominguez	Meza	Turner of Dallas
Dutton	Middleton	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miller	VanDeaver
Fierro	Minjarez	Vo
Flynn	Moody	Walle
Frank	Morrison	White
Frullo	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Geren	Murphy	Wray
Gervin-Hawkins	Murr	Wu
Goldman	Neave	Zedler
González of Dallas	Nevárez	Zerwas
González of El Paso	Noble	Zwiener
Goodwin		

H.R. No. 105

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 105 was adopted by the House on February 19, 2019, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House