

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Dr. Baker Pattillo of Nacogdoches on
2 December 29, 2018, at the age of 75, brought great sorrow to his
3 family and friends, as well as to the campus community of Stephen
4 F. Austin State University, which he served with great distinction
5 for more than five decades; and

6 WHEREAS, Born in Camden on June 22, 1943, Baker Pattillo was
7 the son of the Reverend Leroy Pattillo and Mauree Pattillo; he moved
8 with his family to Arp in 1956 and lettered as a member of the Tigers
9 football team at Arp High School, where his classmates voted him
10 "most likely to succeed"; he subsequently put himself through
11 college, and after studying first at Tyler Junior College, he
12 earned his bachelor's degree in 1965 and his master's degree in
13 guidance and counseling in 1966 from SFA; he later completed a
14 Ph.D. in educational administration at Texas A&M University; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Pattillo was hired as assistant director of
16 placement and financial aid at SFA in 1966; he was promoted to dean
17 of student services in 1972 and to vice president for student
18 affairs in 1979; after being appointed interim president in July
19 2006, he assumed the office of president in January 2007; and

20 WHEREAS, Over the course of his 11-year tenure as president,
21 Dr. Pattillo coordinated campus projects that totaled more than
22 \$425 million, including a student recreation center, a nursing
23 building, and three residential buildings; moreover, he took
24 well-deserved pride in securing \$150 million in funding for four

1 additional facilities during his last day of work; under his
2 leadership, the university exceeded 13,000 in enrollment,
3 surpassing its previous record, and Dr. Pattillo enjoyed a strong
4 rapport with students, as well as with faculty, staff, regents, and
5 state and national leaders; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Pattillo shared 52 years of marriage with his
7 wife, Janice Pattillo, whom he wed on December 17, 1966, and they
8 were blessed with a daughter, Paige, a grandson, Jackson, and a
9 son-in-law, Todd; and

10 WHEREAS, Through his vision and leadership, Dr. Baker
11 Pattillo contributed immeasurably to advancing the mission of
12 Stephen F. Austin State University, and he leaves behind a legacy
13 that will continue to resonate for years to come; now, therefore, be
14 it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
16 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. Baker Pattillo
17 and extend deepest condolences to his relatives and many friends;
18 and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Baker
22 Pattillo.

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H.R. No. 816

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 816 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 19, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House