

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 2088

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and productive life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of admired educator Dr. Robert Brown Jr. of Dallas on May  
3 15, 2019, at the age of 86; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Dallas on October 15, 1932, Robert Brown was  
5 the son of Robert and Elzena Brown; he grew up with three siblings,  
6 Elsa, Dean, and Margaret; after graduating from Lincoln High  
7 School, he went on to receive a bachelor's degree in mathematics  
8 from Huston-Tillotson University, a master's degree from the  
9 University of North Texas, and a doctoral degree in education from  
10 Nova Southeastern University; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Brown began his career in Sulphur Springs before  
12 joining Dallas ISD as a teacher at Sequoyah Junior High School; he  
13 became assistant principal at H. S. Thompson Elementary and then  
14 principal of Roger Q. Mills Elementary and Boude Storey Junior  
15 High; in 1972, he was named director/principal of Paul L. Dunbar  
16 Learning Center, and during the reorganization of the district, he  
17 was appointed director of Area IV; he ultimately rose to become  
18 assistant superintendent of personnel before his retirement in  
19 1989; fluent in Spanish, he also served throughout his tenure as a  
20 translator when needed; he later taught in the GED program in  
21 Garland, and he was recognized by the mayor for preparing more than  
22 200 students to earn their diplomas; in 2008, he was inducted into  
23 the African American Educators Hall of Fame; and

24 WHEREAS, Devoted to his family, Dr. Brown shared a rewarding

1 marriage of 65 years with his wife, Paula Brown, until her passing;  
2 he was the father of five children, Robbie, who preceded him in  
3 death, and Michael, David, Robert, and Janet; in addition, he took  
4 great pride in his nine grandchildren and three  
5 great-grandchildren; he gave generously of his time to Dallas Big  
6 Brothers, and he served Kappa Alpha Psi as the 20th Polemarch of the  
7 Dallas Alumni Chapter; moreover, he was a member of Phi Delta Kappa,  
8 the Brown Bombers bowling team, and the Couples Club of Dallas; and

9       WHEREAS, While the death of Robert Brown brings great sadness  
10 to his family and friends, he leaves behind a legacy that will long  
11 be treasured by all those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

12       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Robert Brown  
14 Jr. and extend sincere condolences to his loved ones; and, be it  
15 further

16       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Robert  
19 Brown Jr.