

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
2 memories of Robert Warren McGowan of Houston, who died on March 5,
3 2021, at the age of 66; and

4 WHEREAS, Robert McGowan was born on January 13, 1955, to
5 Willard and Verna McGowan, and he grew up in Houston with three
6 siblings, Willard, Verne, and Twyla; and

7 WHEREAS, After graduating from Phillis Wheatley High School,
8 Mr. McGowan earned his bachelor's degree at Prairie View A&M
9 University in 1978; an expert mechanic, he joined his father's
10 business, McGowan's Auto Repair, and he maintained an active
11 interest in his profession over the years, mastering the changing
12 technologies of automotive computers and diagnostic systems; his
13 expertise and strong work ethic earned him a reputation as one of
14 the best and most reliable mechanics in Houston's Fifth Ward; he
15 also enjoyed working on and racing muscle cars; and

16 WHEREAS, A man of strong religious faith, Mr. McGowan was a
17 lifelong member of Mount Vernon United Methodist Church, and he was
18 in regular attendance at the church's worship service and Sunday
19 school; and

20 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. McGowan enjoyed the love
21 and support of his wife, Sandra Battle, with whom he shared a loving
22 relationship for 32 years; he was a devoted stepfather to her
23 daughters, Natasha, Tiffany, and Shauntay; and

24 WHEREAS, Robert McGowan possessed a generosity of spirit that

1 expressed itself in myriad ways, and he enriched the lives of
2 countless people with his warmth and kindness; now, therefore, be
3 it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Robert Warren
6 McGowan and extend heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn his passing;
7 and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Robert
11 McGowan.

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H.R. No. 745

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 745 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 30, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House