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House Resolution

A resolution honoring the life and accomplishments of Justice Frederick Brennan Karl, Esquire.

5 WHEREAS, born in Daytona Beach on May 14, 1924, Frederick 6 Brennan Karl left his hometown to serve his country in the 7 United States Army as a member of the 20th and 2nd Armored 8 Divisions and was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge, earning 9 the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart medals, and

10 WHEREAS, after attending the University of Florida and 11 graduating from Stetson University with a law degree, Frederick 12 Brennan Karl represented District 14 in the Florida House of 13 Representatives from 1956 to 1964, represented District 14 in 14 the Florida Senate from 1968 to 1971, and served as a justice of 15 the Florida Supreme Court in 1977 and 1978, as well as holding 16 office as the State of Florida's first public counsel, and

WHEREAS, long considered one of Hillsborough County's great political mentors and problem solvers, Justice Karl served as the Hillsborough County Attorney and County Manager and embarked on the vital reorganization and countless economic development projects that led the Tampa Bay area to become the vibrant community it is today, and

23 WHEREAS, Justice Frederick Brennan Karl, Esquire, was taken24 to his heavenly home on March 7, 2013, and

WHEREAS, Justice Karl was a loving husband to his wife,
Mercedes, a proud father to his children, Cynthia Stamm-Clarke,
Linda Herrington, Mary Bruder, Frederick B. Karl, Jr., and James

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28 B. Karl, and a doting grandfather to 15 grandchildren and four 29 great-grandchildren, NOW, THEREFORE, 30 31 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida: 32 33 That Justice Frederick Brennan Karl, Esquire, is honored 34 35 and remembered for his intelligence, integrity, and fairness and 36 for his unyielding commitment to public service in this state.

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