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H.R. No. 510

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life dedicated to helping others
2 has drawn to a close with the death of Melode Seremet, the founder
3 of the Paws for Reflection therapeutic ranch in Midlothian, on
4 February 14, 2021, at the age of 62; and

5 WHEREAS, Melode Seremet was born in Winchester, Virginia, on
6 December 26, 1958, and she moved with her parents to Mississippi and
7 Florida; she began her career as an IT analyst for a hospital in
8 Stuart, Florida, and later worked in nursing administration; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1993, Ms. Seremet moved to Texas, where she
10 became involved in community affairs, serving as a board member of
11 her local library, as activity director for the chamber of
12 commerce, as a volunteer for the school district, and as the
13 director of several nonprofit organizations; she also returned to
14 school and studied to become a licensed veterinary technician; and

15 WHEREAS, Inspired by a dream, Ms. Seremet founded the
16 nonprofit Paws for Reflection Ranch in 2007; the 15-acre
17 animal-assisted activity and therapy facility offers individuals
18 and families the opportunity to work with licensed professional
19 therapists and therapy animals; clients include children with
20 special needs, veterans dealing with PTSD, and people suffering
21 from anxiety, depression, and other disorders; the therapy animals
22 include horses, goats, rabbits, and miniature pot-bellied pigs;
23 until her death, Ms. Seremet managed the ranch's day-to-day
24 operations, overseeing the care of the animals, greeting new

1 guests, and raising funds and developing community partnerships;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Ms. Seremet enjoyed the love
4 and support of her husband, Stan, with whom she shared 34 years, and
5 she took great pride in their daughter, Mandy; and

6 WHEREAS, Blessed with a compassionate heart and a spirit of
7 innovation, Melode Seremet created a unique organization that has
8 helped thousands of people in need, and she leaves behind a legacy
9 of kindness and concern for others that will continue to inspire all
10 those who knew and loved her; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Melode Seremet and
13 extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of her family: to her
14 husband, Stan Seremet; to her daughter, Mandy Davis, and her
15 husband, Bryce; to her granddaughter, Chloe Davis; and to her other
16 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Melode
20 Seremet.