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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A life lived with joy and purpose drew to a close
- 2 with the passing of Avery Alderman Rhodes of Nacogdoches on May 11,
- 3 2021, at the age of 52; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of B. W. Sanderson and Wayne Alderman,
- 5 the former Avery Alderman was born on December 5, 1968; she grew up
- 6 in Jasper and graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University; in
- 7 1993, she married Charles "Chuck" Rhodes Jr., and they became the
- 8 parents of a daughter, Madison; the couple were eventually blessed
- 9 with two grandchildren, Ashton and Annsley; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Ms. Rhodes was devoted to her family, including her
- 11 siblings, Neil and Ashley, her stepsister, Toni, her stepdaughter,
- 12 Brook, her stepfather, Wayne Sanderson, and her stepmother, Becky
- 13 Alderman; she loved having coffee with relatives and friends while
- 14 reminiscing over the myriad of photos on her phone; sustained by a
- 15 strong faith, she sent up prayers and offered support for anyone in
- 16 need, and she could always provide the perfect scripture to comfort
- 17 and inspire; and
- WHEREAS, For 22 years, Ms. Rhodes was employed as a
- 19 pharmaceutical representative, most recently as senior executive
- 20 representative for AstraZeneca; the company recognized her with the
- 21 Circle of Excellence, its most prestigious award; over the course
- 22 of her career, she was a mentor to numerous colleagues;
- 23 additionally, she served on the Texas Diabetes Council by
- 24 gubernatorial appointment; as a former resident of Angelina County,

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- 1 she was very involved with the Lufkin/Angelina County Chamber of
- 2 Commerce, and she was a graduate of Leadership Lufkin; and
- 3 WHEREAS, While her loss is difficult to bear, Avery Rhodes
- 4 leaves behind many friends and loved ones whose lives are far richer
- 5 for having known her, and she will forever hold a treasured place in
- 6 their hearts; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Avery Alderman Rhodes
- 9 and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her passing; and, be
- 10 it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Avery
- 14 Rhodes.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1760 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 29, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House