

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The strength and cohesion of our communities are
2 enhanced by the devoted efforts of individuals such as Kelly
3 Flading, who has contributed immeasurably to the quality of life in
4 Killeen and beyond; and

5 WHEREAS, The cofounder and board secretary of Killeen
6 Creators, Ms. Flading has helped advance the organization's
7 mission of addressing food insecurity, post-traumatic stress
8 disorder, and voter disenfranchisement; she has also taken an
9 active role in local politics, holding leadership positions with
10 the Bell County Democratic Party and the Killeen Democrats; other
11 groups that have benefited from her efforts include Mats for the
12 Homeless, the Killeen Civic Art Guild, and the Youth Backyard
13 Gardening Initiative; and

14 WHEREAS, Born in Rosepine, Louisiana, in 1967, Ms. Flading
15 graduated as valedictorian of the Rosepine High School Class of
16 1985 and continued her education at Fayetteville Technical
17 Community College; she later studied math and computer information
18 systems at Texas A&M University-Central Texas and graduated from
19 Tarleton State University in 2009; and

20 WHEREAS, Answering her nation's call to duty, Ms. Flading
21 served in the U.S. Army from 1987 to 1999, and she further
22 contributed to the military through her involvement with the Fort
23 Hood Chapters of the USO and the Association of the United States
24 Army; in the course of a successful career with Walmart, she has

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1 served as their community involvement coordinator and overseen
2 their Children's Miracle Network program; and

3 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Ms. Flading has enjoyed the
4 love and support of her husband, fellow army veteran Brian Flading;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Kelly Flading has demonstrated a steadfast
7 commitment to making Killeen a better place for all, and in so
8 doing, she has earned the lasting respect and admiration of her
9 fellow residents; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
11 Legislature hereby honor Kelly Flading for her legacy of service to
12 her community and extend to her sincere appreciation for her many
13 contributions to the greater good; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Ms. Flading as an expression of high regard by the
16 Texas House of Representatives.