By: Bumgarner H.R. No. 145

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the

passing of Mary Kay Walker of Flower Mound on October 26, 2023, at

3 the age of 78; and

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WHEREAS, The daughter of Bill and Ann Noah, the former Mary

5 Kay Noah was born in Taylor on July 10, 1945; she graduated from

6 West Orange Stark High School and attended Lamar University and The

7 University of Texas at Dallas; in addition, she earned

8 certification as a litigation paralegal from Southern Methodist

9 University; she married Al Walker on August 19, 1977, and they were

10 blessed with four children; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Walker began her career with Sears, and after

gaining experience in its collections department, she went on to

13 similar employment with Bank One and MCI WorldCom; following her

14 retirement, she focused on volunteering and became an ardent

15 champion of support housing, transportation, and community

16 enhancements for seniors; in 2009, she formed the SIM Auxiliary to

17 fundraise for the Flower Mound Seniors In Motion program, and she

18 served as president until her death; she helped to garner tens of

19 thousands of dollars in support for elders, and she established the

20 popular annual Elite Chef fundraiser; and

21 WHEREAS, In 2010, Mrs. Walker developed the Volunteer

22 Program at the newly built Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital and

23 opened the gift shop; she served her community in numerous other

24 capacities as well, including as a member of the Parks, Arts, and

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- 1 Library Services Board, Youth and Family Counseling Board,
- 2 Lewisville ISD District Advisory Council, and All Together Flower
- 3 Mound Commission; from 2009 to 2023, she was treasurer of the
- 4 Villages of Cross Timbers Homeowners Association; a woman of strong
- 5 faith, she was a member of First Baptist Church of Lewisville;
- 6 considered by many to be the "Queen of Flower Mound," she received
- 7 numerous formal accolades, among them a 2016 President's Volunteer
- 8 Service Lifetime Achievement Award from President Obama and the
- 9 Corporation for National and Community Service and the 2014
- 10 Advocate of the Year Award from the Texas Recreation and Park
- 11 Society North Region Conference; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The life of Mary Kay Walker stands as an outstanding
- 13 example of civic engagement, and her contributions will be
- 14 remembered and admired for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 16 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 17 Mary Kay Walker and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her
- 18 family: to her husband, Al Walker; to her children, Karen Anderson
- 19 and her husband, Heath, Robin Bellerby and her husband, Tom,
- 20 Russell Walker, and Melinda Fator; to her grandchildren, Grace
- 21 VanSickle and her wife, Hilary, Sarah Anderson, Rachel Anderson,
- 22 Kaylee Bellerby, Montana Bellerby and his wife, Andy, and Cody
- 23 Walker; to her sister, Charlotte Foreman, and her husband, Edward;
- 24 and to her many other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 26 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 27 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mary Kay

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