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H.R. No. 1156

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to  
2 a close with the passing of Jeri Shirley Kolpack on March 20, 2023,  
3 at the age of 85; and

4           WHEREAS, The daughter of John and Minnie Page, the former  
5 Jeri Page was born in Galveston on August 18, 1937; she was raised  
6 in the Galveston and Houston areas, and she attended business  
7 school in Austin; she adopted a son, Gregory, during her first  
8 marriage to Dude Stelfox; after Mr. Stelfox's passing, she wed  
9 Jerry Butler, with whom she co-owned the Embers club in Corpus  
10 Christi; and

11           WHEREAS, Following the death of her second husband, she  
12 married Arnold Kolpack in January 1978; a partner with Mr. Kolpack  
13 in life as well as in business, Mrs. Kolpack managed commercial  
14 real estate for her husband's company, Industrial Salvage; she was  
15 a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, and  
16 great-grandmother, as well as a dear friend to many; and

17           WHEREAS, Mrs. Kolpack sought opportunities to help others by  
18 joining the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi and volunteering with the  
19 local food bank; passionate about the arts, she enjoyed attending  
20 the symphony with her granddaughter, Maegan, and she even performed  
21 with the Corpus Christi Ballet's production of *The Nutcracker* in  
22 2004 and 2005; she brightened the days of everyone around her with  
23 her vivacious personality, and she was also admired for her strong  
24 will, her love of learning, and her devotion to her community; and

1           WHEREAS, Although she is deeply missed, the passage of time  
2 will never diminish the joy and love that Jeri Kolpack brought into  
3 the lives of all who knew her; now, therefore, be it

4           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jeri Shirley  
6 Kolpack and extend heartfelt condolences to the members of her  
7 family: to her sister, Molly Page Neugebauer; to her grandchildren,  
8 Maegan Stelfox and Gage Johnston; to her great-granddaughter,  
9 Peyton Stelfox; to her niece, Lynette, and nephew, Michael; and to  
10 her other relatives and friends; and, be 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 Jeri  
14 Kolpack.