

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The tragic passing of Tess Marie Mata of Uvalde on  
2 May 24, 2022, at the age of 10, has profoundly saddened the many  
3 people who loved and cherished her; and

4           WHEREAS, Tess Mata was born in San Antonio on February 6,  
5 2012, to Jerry and Veronica Mata; she shared a close bond with her  
6 older sister, Faith, and she also enjoyed the affection of her  
7 grandparents, aunt, uncles, and numerous cousins; and

8           WHEREAS, An athletic young girl, Tess played softball and  
9 soccer and competed in gymnastics; she was an avid fan of the  
10 Houston Astros and especially of second baseman José Altuve, and  
11 she even shared the same position as her favorite player on her  
12 softball team; though feisty and outspoken, she was also blessed  
13 with a caring heart, and she dreamed of one day having a career in  
14 the medical field; and

15           WHEREAS, While the passing of Tess Mata is an incalculable  
16 loss to those who held her dear, they may find comfort in knowing  
17 that their lives were forever enriched by the joy and love she  
18 shared with them; now, therefore, be it

19           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Tess Marie Mata and  
21 extend heartfelt condolences to the members of her family: to her  
22 parents, Jerry and Veronica Mata; to her sister, Faith Mata; to her  
23 grandparents, Raymundo and Rosemary Mata and Anna Hill; to her  
24 aunt, Victoria Streeter; to her uncles, Robert Hill, Mark Mata, and

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1 Ray Mata Jr.; to her cousins, Nevaeh Streeter, Saige Rodgers, Kara  
2 Streeter, Gabie Mata, and Hayden Mata; and to the countless family  
3 members and friends who mourn her; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Tess Mata.

King of Uvalde

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1378 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 2, 2023.

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Chief Clerk of the House