

By: Flores

H.R. No. 159

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The State of Texas lost a renowned attorney and  
2 civic leader with the death of Susan Gay Morrison of Austin on July  
3 11, 2025, at the age of 67; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of San Angelo, Susan Morrison was born to  
5 Eleanor and Herbert Morrison on February 14, 1958, and grew up  
6 sharing in the companionship of two siblings, Nancy and Richard;  
7 she graduated from San Angelo Central High School and continued her  
8 education at The University of Texas at Austin and Baylor Law  
9 School; while a student at UT, she worked with lawmakers and the  
10 League of Women Voters to amend the state constitution to allow for  
11 garnishment of wages of delinquent noncustodial parents, and voters  
12 overwhelmingly approved the amendment in 1983; she began her career  
13 as an assistant general counsel for the Texas Education Agency and  
14 served as an administrative law judge; after a long tenure in  
15 private practice, she became general counsel for the Texas School  
16 for the Blind and Visually Impaired; and

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Morrison was a member of numerous professional  
18 associations and held many leadership roles, including president of  
19 Texas Women Lawyers and the Travis County Women Lawyers'  
20 Association; moreover, she served on the State Bar's Grievance  
21 Committee for District 9, and she was a director of the Travis  
22 County Bar Association; among other accolades, she was named a Life  
23 Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation; she benefited the wider  
24 community as chair of the Travis County Fee Dispute Committee and a

1 member of such bodies as the City of Austin Ethics Review Commission  
2 and Mueller Airport Redevelopment Advisory Board; a former  
3 president of the board of Communities in Schools, she helped  
4 fundraise and advocate for services for at-risk students; she also  
5 served as an election judge and as membership co-chair for the  
6 Austin Area Board of the League of Women Voters; in addition, she  
7 was very active in the Kiwanis Club and served as membership chair;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Ms. Morrison enjoyed the love  
10 and support of her husband of 20 years, John King, and she took  
11 great pride in her stepchildren, Jillian and Spencer; and

12 WHEREAS, Although Susan Morrison's passing has brought great  
13 sorrow to those who loved her, her life was an inspiring example of  
14 the good that one person can accomplish; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
16 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory  
17 of Susan Gay Morrison and extend sincere condolences to all who  
18 mourn her passing; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Susan  
22 Morrison.