

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The untimely passing of Theresa Rose "Tess" Giolma  
2 of San Antonio on March 3, 2004, at the age of 57, has brought a  
3 profound loss to the family and many friends of this esteemed woman;  
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5           WHEREAS, Born June 24, 1946, to Lieutenant Louis S. and  
6 Rachel Karably, Mrs. Giolma attended the University of Florida and  
7 earned a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's  
8 degree in education; it was during those years that she met and  
9 married her husband, Paul Giolma; and

10           WHEREAS, After moving to San Antonio in 1975, Mrs. Giolma  
11 became deeply involved in the community, donating her time and  
12 talents to a number of worthy causes and organizations; a member of  
13 the Mahnke Park Neighborhood Association, she was instrumental in  
14 the retransformation of Lamar Elementary into a mainstream school,  
15 served with the Women's Political Caucus, was appointed to the  
16 city's Board of Adjustments, and officiated as chair of San  
17 Antonio's City Planning Commission; and

18           WHEREAS, Highly dedicated to ensuring the election of quality  
19 political candidates, Mrs. Giolma devoted her energy and expertise  
20 to an array of political campaigns in the 1980s and 1990s, including  
21 Ann Richards's gubernatorial and reelection races; she displayed  
22 the utmost professionalism throughout her career, and her record of  
23 excellence was recognized with an appointment to the State Board of  
24 Optometry; and

1           WHEREAS, A woman of tremendous courage and integrity, Tess  
2   Giolma served her city and state with pride and distinction,  
3   demonstrating rare drive and determination in all her endeavors,  
4   and although she will be greatly missed, her legacy will live on in  
5   the hearts and minds of those whose lives she touched; now,  
6   therefore, be it

7           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
8   Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay special tribute to the  
9   life of Theresa Rose Giolma and extend deepest sympathy to the  
10  members of her family: to her husband, Paul Giolma; to her son,  
11  Matthew Giolma; to her parents, Colonel Louis S. and Rachel  
12  Karably; to her sister, Deborah Karably Lazar; to her brothers,  
13  Louis S. Karably, Jr., David Karably, and Kenneth Karably; and to  
14  the other relatives and friends of this beloved and admired woman;  
15  and, be it further

16          RESOLVED, That when the Texas House of Representatives  
17  adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Theresa Rose "Tess" Giolma.

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H.R. No. 260

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 260 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 17, 2004.

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Chief Clerk of the House