

By: McClendon

H.R. No. 286

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of San Antonio lost one of its most beloved
2 residents with the passing of Bonita Annacelia Terry on January 27,
3 2006, at the age of 49; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Terry was born at Hahn Air Base in Germany on
5 February 10, 1956, and enjoyed the love and affection of seven
6 brothers and three sisters growing up; a graduate of Jefferson High
7 School and San Antonio College, she later earned a bachelor's
8 degree in political science at The University of Texas at San
9 Antonio; and

10 WHEREAS, Committed to helping women, minorities, and the
11 poor, Ms. Terry was a passionate advocate for the underrepresented;
12 her efforts included work in behalf of the Democratic Party,
13 Habitat for Humanity, United Way, the American Red Cross, and
14 Network Power/Texas, an organization dedicated to women's issues;
15 moreover, she helped area flood victims as executive director of
16 the San Antonio Interfaith Flood Recovery Alliance; and

17 WHEREAS, This remarkable Texan also served as an urban
18 missionary at Travis Park United Methodist Church and as vice chair
19 of the San Antonio United Methodist Campus Ministry board; in her
20 work with Travis Park and Jefferson United Methodist Churches, she
21 was highly instrumental in such achievements as a food bank, an
22 outreach program, and a day center for people who find themselves
23 homeless or in transition; more recently, she had concentrated her
24 efforts on assisting the homeless in downtown San Antonio; and

1 WHEREAS, With her warm laugh and seemingly limitless capacity
2 for caring, Bonnie Terry was an inspiration to all who knew her;
3 although her life ended far too soon, she leaves behind a legacy of
4 compassion and generosity that stands as a testament to the finest
5 qualities of the human spirit; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
7 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
8 Bonita Annacelia Terry and extend deepest sympathy to the members
9 of her family: to her sisters, Constance Ramos, Joni Lynch, and
10 Wanda Cook; to her brothers, Wayne, Leon, Wesley, Warren, Waverly,
11 Walter, and Ronald Terry; to her nieces and nephews; and to all who
12 mourn the passing of this beloved woman; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Bonita
16 Annacelia Terry.