

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the State of Texas
2 joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Tara Rose
3 McAvoy, who died March 13, 2006, at the age of 18; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. McAvoy was the reigning Miss Deaf Texas; she was
5 born in Worcester, Massachusetts, on July 17, 1987, attended the
6 Model Secondary School for the Deaf on the Gallaudet University
7 campus in Washington, D.C., and was a graduate of the Texas School
8 for the Deaf; she attended Austin Community College in the fall of
9 2005 and transferred to Gallaudet University in January of 2006;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, With a lifelong passion for learning and continually
12 challenging herself to achieve higher goals, Ms. McAvoy was an
13 honor student, and at the Texas School for the Deaf, she was
14 involved in many school activities and sports, including
15 cheerleading, basketball, and track; she had special interests in
16 art and drama and had performed in several productions; and

17 WHEREAS, She had traveled across the country, participated in
18 a youth leadership camp in Florida, marched in a cheerleading
19 parade in London, attended a presidential classroom week at the
20 White House, and served an internship at the National Association
21 of the Deaf; and

22 WHEREAS, As Miss 2005-2007 Deaf Texas, Ms. McAvoy performed
23 her duties with exceptional grace and dignity; she was Miss
24 Pre-Teen South Texas of 1999 and participated in the American Coed

1 Pageant among girls with hearing; throughout her life, she
2 encouraged other young people to stay in school, pursue an
3 education, and practice good sportsmanship; and

4 WHEREAS, She was a devoted daughter, granddaughter, and
5 sister, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured
6 forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
8 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby honor the life of Tara Rose
9 McAvoy and extend sincere condolences to her family; and, be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for her
12 family as an expression of deepest sympathy, and that when the Texas
13 House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of
14 Tara Rose McAvoy.

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Craddick	Giddings	McReynolds
Allen	Gonzales	Menendez
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Merritt
Anchia	Goodman	Miller
Anderson	Goolsby	Moreno
Bailey	Griggs	Morrison
Berman	Grusendorf	Mowery
Blake	Guillen	Naishtat
Bohac	Haggerty	Nixon
Bonnen	Hamilton	Noriega
Branch	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Kaufman	Hardcastle	Olivo
Brown of Brazos	Harper-Brown	Orr
Burnam	Hartnett	Otto
Callegari	Hegar	Paxton
Campbell	Hernandez	Pena
Casteel	Herrero	Phillips
Castro	Hilderbran	Pickett
Chavez	Hill	Pitts
Chisum	Hochberg	Puente
Coleman	Hodge	Quintanilla
Cook of Navarro	Homer	Raymond
Cook of Colorado	Hope	Reyna
Corte	Hopson	Riddle
Crabb	Howard of Fort Bend	Ritter
Crownover	Howard of Travis	Rodriguez
Davis of Harris	Hughes	Rose
Davis of Dallas	Hunter	Seaman
Dawson	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
Delisi	Isett	Smith of Harris
Denny	Jackson	Smithee
Deshotel	Jones of Lubbock	Solis
Driver	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
Dukes	Keel	Strama
Dunnam	Keffer of Dallas	Straus
Dutton	Keffer of Eastland	Swinford
Edwards	King of Parker	Talton
Eiland	King of Zavala	Taylor
Eissler	Kolkhorst	Thompson
Elkins	Krusee	Truitt
England	Kuempel	Turner
Escobar	Laney	Uresti
Farabee	Laubenberg	Van Arsdale
Farrar	Leibowitz	Veasey
Flores	Luna	Villarreal
Flynn	Madden	Vo
Frost	Martinez	West
Gallego	Martinez Fischer	Wong
Gattis	McCall	Woolley
Geren	McClendon	Zedler

H.R. No. 342

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 342 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 4, 2006.

Chief Clerk of the House