

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Nila Gay Berry of Katy passed away on September 25,  
2 2004, at the age of 61, leaving behind a host of loved ones who  
3 treasured her presence in their lives; and

4           WHEREAS, A native Texan, she was born on April 16, 1943, to  
5 Frank and Lorna Maynard, in a fieldstone ranch house built by her  
6 father in Travis County, and grew up in a close-knit family with her  
7 four sisters, Ruthey, Frankie, Ina, and Linda; and

8           WHEREAS, Nila Maynard graduated from Leander High School in  
9 1961, and that same year she married the love of her life, Harley  
10 Ray Berry, at Liberty Hill Church of Christ, embarking on a marriage  
11 that brought great joy to that fortunate couple and to all their  
12 loved ones; and

13           WHEREAS, Mrs. Berry and her husband established their first  
14 home in Odessa, where she completed business school and where they  
15 began their family of four cherished children; the Berrys later  
16 relocated to Deer Park, and in 1975 they moved to Katy; and

17           WHEREAS, A devoted wife and mother, this lovely lady was also  
18 a woman of deep faith and a valued member of Memorial Church of  
19 Christ; Mrs. Berry enjoyed, as well, a respected place in her  
20 community, putting much energy into her accounting career as well  
21 as community service; she held the post of comptroller at GRM Food  
22 Services from 2001 to 2004 and was president of the West Memorial  
23 Municipal Utility District for nearly 15 years; and

24           WHEREAS, Nila Gay Berry was a blessing in the lives of

1 countless people, and the memory of her love and guidance will long  
2 remain in the hearts of those who shared in the unfailing warmth of  
3 her care and affection; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Nila Gay Berry  
6 and extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to her  
7 husband, Harley Ray Berry; to her children, Carla Tarrance, Mark  
8 Berry, Gayla Gaudette, and Brandon Berry; to her grandson, Davis  
9 Gaudette; to her sisters, Ruthey Brinson, Ina Rychlik, and Linda  
10 Wade; and to all who mourn the passing of this beloved woman; and,  
11 be it further

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

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H.R. No. 16

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 16 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 14, 2005.

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Chief Clerk of the House