By: Guillen H.R. No. 2135

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The tragedy of a young life cut short is a sobering reminder of the fragility and brevity of our time on this earth, and it is with deep sorrow that we join in mourning the passing of Marta Graciela Gonzalez of Rio Grande City on April 25, 2005, at the age of 30; and

WHEREAS, A loving and devoted mother, daughter, and sister,

Ms. Gonzalez enriched and enlivened the days of her family and

WHEREAS, It was during her valiant battle with cancer that her personal courage found its fullest flowering, and by sharing the strength of her faith with those around her in her final days, she offered a moving and inspirational model of grace for her loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Although her passing is a wound that only time may heal, her spirit will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of all those fortunate enough to have known her; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Marta Graciela Gonzalez and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her daughter, Marina; to Marina's father, Andy de Leon; to her parents, Abel N. Gonzalez, Jr., and Graciela Gonzalez; to her sister and brother-in-law, Melinda and Jorge Barrera; to her brothers, Abel N. Gonzalez III and Jorge E. Gonzalez; to her grandmother, Maria Elia Gonzalez; to her niece, Alexia; to her

friends; and

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- 1 nephew, Josue; and to her other family members and many friends;
- 2 and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 5 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Marta
- 6 Graciela Gonzalez.