

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 795

**In Memory
of
Cherie Shelton Von Dohlen**

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Goliad and Austin in mourning the loss of Cherie Shelton Von Dohlen, who died April 27, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Born on October 20, 1943, in Beeville, Cherie Shelton was raised in Goliad and graduated from Goliad High School; she attended Victoria College and Texas A&I University in Kingsville; she married Tim Von Dohlen, and the couple lived in Goliad and Austin and enjoyed a loving 40-year union; and

WHEREAS, Cherie actively supported her husband during his 14 years of service in the Texas House of Representatives and served others through many charitable projects, including the Knights of Columbus; she had recently been named a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow; and

WHEREAS, Noted for her love of Texas and everything in it, from the bluebonnets to the hummingbirds that brightened her day, Cherie was fascinated with Texas history, particularly the history of Goliad County; she enjoyed her friends, traveling, and making new acquaintances; and

WHEREAS, An independent, spirited Texan in the tradition of the Texas pioneer woman, Cherie never hesitated to share her opinion; she was generous and caring and enriched the lives of all who knew her with her love and compassion, her warmth and kindness, and her enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian, she was a parishioner at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Goliad and at Saint John Neumann Catholic Church in Austin; she derived great satisfaction in serving as a lector and an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist; she was a member of the Catholic Daughters and served as first regent of the Goliad Court; she was a Lady of the Knights and a member of Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother and was a loving and caring daughter, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Cherie Shelton Von Dohlen: her husband, Tim Von Dohlen; her mother, Jean Gouger Reed; her father,

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Richard P. Shelton; her sons and daughters-in-law, Tim Von Dohlen II and Lori, Chris and Terri Von Dohlen, and Patrick and Happy Von Dohlen; her sister, Mary Jon Urban; her brother, Richard M. Shelton; and her nine grandchildren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Cherie Shelton Von Dohlen.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 5, 2005, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate