SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 869

In Memory
of
Mary Lou McLain

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Mary Lou McLain, who died April 22, 2005, at the age of 44; and

WHEREAS, Mary Lou was born July 21, 1960, in Sao Paolo, Brazil, to John and Mary Lou McLain; she graduated from Vanderbilt University with a degree in Latin American studies; and

WHEREAS, Mary Lou decided to devote her life to a career in nursing; she earned a graduate degree in nursing science from Texas Woman's University in 1991; and

WHEREAS, For many years, the patients of Brackenridge Hospital benefited from Mary Lou's care and devotion; she also took on the responsibility of quality improvement initiatives in the emergency department; and

WHEREAS, A passionate health care advocate, Mary Lou served as a member of the Travis County Hospital Steering Committee and as president of Family Eldercare; countless Texas citizens have received quality health care as a result of her dedication and hard work; and

WHEREAS, A woman of generosity and compassion, she gave unselfishly to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew her; she leaves behind memories that will be cherished 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 Mary Lou McLain: her husband, Lee Leffingwell; her mother, Mary Lou Schulz; and her sisters, Kathy Brault, Chris McLain, and Virginia McLain; 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 Mary Lou McLain.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 11, 2005, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate