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H.R. No. 55

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Aleena Virginia Jimenez, who passed away on November  
2 25, 2006, at the age of five, brought a luminous joy into the lives  
3 of all who loved her, and those who were touched by her presence  
4 give deepest thanks for the wondrous, miraculous gift of this  
5 radiant child; and

6           WHEREAS, Born on October 17, 2001, in San Antonio, Aleena  
7 attended preschool at St. Joseph Catholic School in that city; a  
8 beautiful, sunny little girl, she was full of high spirits and eager  
9 to be a part of everything, and from an early age she entered  
10 enthusiastically into her family's activities and traditions; and

11           WHEREAS, Her favorite pastimes included shopping with her  
12 mother and fishing with her father; during Cowboy football games,  
13 she and her dad would don matching Dallas jerseys, and she was  
14 already demonstrating a strong competitive spirit of her own; she  
15 also took pride in helping with the time-honored ritual of  
16 decorating the table for Thanksgiving dinner; and

17           WHEREAS, Pink was her favorite color, and she enjoyed posing  
18 for the camera whenever photographs were being taken; her bright  
19 eyes and smiles, glowing with delight, were an eloquent testament  
20 to the great love that surrounded and nurtured her; and

21           WHEREAS, Aleena was the granddaughter of the Honorable Frank  
22 Madla, who served for 20 years in the Texas House of Representatives  
23 and 13 years in the Texas Senate; and

24           WHEREAS, Though Aleena's journey on this earth was far too

1 brief, she will be held forever in the loving hearts of her family  
2 and friends; through her parents' infinite compassion, the blessing  
3 of her life has also touched children who were seriously ill and who  
4 are able today to face the world with new hope; now, therefore, be  
5 it

6         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Aleena Virginia  
8 Jimenez and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family:  
9 to her mother, Marci Madla; to her father, Raul Jimenez III; to her  
10 grandparents, Rosemary Jimenez and Helen Madla; to her  
11 great-grandparents, Irma Arranaga, Mary Jimenez, and Epimena  
12 Madla; and to her many other relatives and friends; and, be it  
13 further

14         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for her family, and that when the Texas House of  
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Aleena  
17 Virginia Jimenez.