

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Countless lives were touched by the kindness and joy
2 of Zina Keith Worley of Del Rio, who passed away on May 5, 2007; and

3 WHEREAS, Born in Sabine Pass, Texas, Mrs. Worley graduated
4 from Bay City High School at 16 and enrolled in Texas Woman's
5 University in Denton to study journalism; after graduation, she
6 became a photojournalist at the *Beaumont Herald*; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1945, she married Ernest Lee Worley, Jr., and
8 through the years the couple lived in Guam, Louisiana, Morocco,
9 Georgia, Texas, Nebraska, and California as part of his military
10 service; although she was occupied raising four children, she found
11 the time to publish a magazine for the Officer's Wives Club and
12 helped organize events and lectures; in addition, she was actively
13 involved in the construction of the Val Verde County Library, and
14 she volunteered for the Democratic Party, working for John
15 Connally's gubernatorial campaign in Southwest Texas and for John
16 F. Kennedy's White House campaign; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Worley retired in 1968, and he and Mrs. Worley
18 chose to return to Texas; they both worked for the *Del Rio*
19 *News-Herald*, and she later became managing editor; in addition to
20 her work and family responsibilities, she volunteered with the
21 local Planned Parenthood and, later, became director of Family
22 Planning, where she developed a mobile clinic program; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Worley retired from her position with Planned
24 Parenthood after 16 years, but she continued making contributions

1 to her community; she was a founding member of Del Rio's Pan
2 American Round Table and the Great Books Discussion Group; some of
3 the other organizations to which she lent her time and talents were
4 the Del Rio Council of Arts, Laughlin Air Force Base Community
5 Council, Del Rio Housing Authority, Casa de la Cultura, and the
6 First United Methodist Church; and

7 WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Mrs. Worley
8 will remember a woman who championed women's health, who
9 exemplified generosity and integrity, and who touched the lives of
10 countless individuals with her warmth, intelligence, and
11 compassion; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Zina Keith Worley and
14 offer condolences to the members of her family: to her children,
15 Cecil Brezina and her husband, John, Lee Worley and his wife,
16 Carmen, Seth Worley and his wife, Paula, and Robin E. Worley; to her
17 grandchildren, Ernest L., Virginia L., and Benjamin E. Worley, John
18 Michael, Lyn, and Lara Brezina, and Grace Sullivan; to her
19 great-grandchildren, Carter, Sophie, Catherine, and Lucas; and to
20 her other relatives and friends; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Zina Keith
24 Worley.

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H.R. No. 2444

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2444 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 25, 2007.

Chief Clerk of the House