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H.R. No. 2477

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The citizens of San Marcos lost a beloved educator  
2 and friend with the passing of Paula Kay Wolking, at the age of 56;  
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4           WHEREAS, Born on June 24, 1950, Mrs. Wolking was a graduate of  
5 Arlington High School, where she was editor of her yearbook, an  
6 honor student, and a member of the state championship-winning  
7 volleyball team; she attended Sul Ross State University and again  
8 distinguished herself as a talented athlete, helping the school's  
9 volleyball team win the Intercollegiate Volleyball National  
10 Championship; and

11           WHEREAS, Dedicated to the development of our state's future  
12 leaders, this devoted wife and mother served as an educator for more  
13 than 30 years, giving generously of her time and talents to the  
14 students of South San Antonio High School and San Marcos High School  
15 as a teacher and coach; she was known for her innovative  
16 instruction, including her "We The People" courses that encouraged  
17 participants to become involved in government and civic  
18 organizations; in addition, she played an instrumental role in the  
19 establishment of the Lincoln Legacy Exhibit at the Lincoln  
20 Memorial; and

21           WHEREAS, Mrs. Wolking was an inspiration to all who knew her,  
22 and she touched the lives of her friends, family, and many students  
23 with her warmth, kindness, and generosity of spirit; she will be  
24 deeply missed and will always be remembered with the utmost

1 admiration and affection; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
3 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Paula Kay Wolking and  
4 extend sympathy to the members of her family: to her husband, Dennis  
5 Theodore Wolking; to her daughter, Anne Elizabeth Witherspoon and  
6 her husband, Kelly; to her parents, Emmett Eugene and Joe Ann Kelly;  
7 to her siblings, Carolyn Ellis and her husband, Jon, Kathleen  
8 Mihalik and her husband, Sam, Jean Darling and her husband, David,  
9 and Joseph Eugene Kelly and his wife, Shannon; and to her other  
10 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

11           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Paula Kay  
14 Wolking.