SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 536

In Memory of Janis Russo

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Cross Roads in mourning the loss of Janis Russo, who died January 16, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Janis Russo was born in North Carolina in 1941 and grew up in North Carolina and Florida; she married Tony Russo on January 3, 1960, and the couple moved from Florida to Texas in 1976; and

WHEREAS, After living in Richardson for many years, Mrs. Russo moved to Cross Roads, where she came to realize her love of horses and open spaces; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russo soon became involved in local government and won a seat on the town council in 2002; she served as a member of the Comprehensive Planning Committee and as the head of the Financial Committee and was reelected in 2004 and 2006; her primary focus was on keeping Cross Roads "country"; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russo had a 35-year professional career with the United States government and retired in 1995; she later served as chief financial officer for Arnold Stone, Incorporated, in Celina; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russo was active in the Dal-Worth Appaloosa Horse Club, for which she served as president, vice president, and board member; she attended New Hope Baptist Church in Cross Roads; and

WHEREAS, A woman of courage, strength, and compassion, she gave generously to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew her;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,
80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the
bereaved family of Janis Russo; 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 Janis Russo.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 21, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate