

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 562

In Memory
of
Brooke Alyson Phillips

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins Texans across the state and citizens of Arkansas in mourning the loss of Brooke Alyson Phillips, who died September 29, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Brooke Alyson Phillips touched the hearts of countless people during her five years on this earth, and her family and many friends in Texas and Arkansas were deeply saddened by her passing; and

WHEREAS, Brooke brought much happiness to others, as she lived her life with courage, love, and laughter, inspiring all who met her and those who cared for her at Texas Children's Hospital and Arkansas Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Born on July 23, 2001, Brooke grew to love all the frilly things so dear to little girls, including playing dress-up, dancing, and pretending to be a princess; in addition, she enjoyed singing, especially such songs as "I Love You More," collecting pretty rocks, swimming in the ocean, and sharing fun times with her beloved older sister, Taylor; she delighted her family with her generous goodnight kisses and told them of her wish to be a mermaid in heaven, one with a green tail and long hair; and

WHEREAS, While they cherish these bittersweet memories, her family recalls the wonderful qualities of this remarkable child who had so much compassion for others during her brave battle with leukemia; even as a hospital patient herself, this little girl would pray for the crying child in the next room, or share her toys with the other children, or ask her parents to do something special to improve the lives of the children who were hurting; and

WHEREAS, Members of her family never lost hope, even in their deepest despair, and they are comforted in their faith today; moreover, they are dedicated to helping others through their organization, B.I.G. Love Cancer Care Services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Brooke Alyson Phillips and extend sincere condolences to her family: her parents, Chaney and Jessica Phillips; her sister, Taylor; her grandparents, Jesse and Monette Smith and Bert and Sharron Phillips; and her other relatives; and, be it further

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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 Brooke Alyson Phillips.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 26, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate