

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1181

In Memory
of
Lee Hage Jamail

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Lee Hage Jamail, who died January 15, 2007, at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, Lee Jamail was born November 28, 1930, in Austin to Mitry Kalil and Lily Hage; a strong supporter of education, health care, and the arts in Texas, she will be remembered for her grace, her dignity, and her compassion for others, exemplified by her generosity and philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, She earned a bachelor's degree from Incarnate Word College, and she completed graduate work in speech pathology at The University of Texas at Austin; she taught in schools in Austin and Sugar Land until her third son was born; and

WHEREAS, Lee Jamail established the Jessie H. Villarreal Professorship in Speech Pathology at The University of Texas at Austin and helped create the first volunteer program at the Houston Speech and Hearing Center; and

WHEREAS, Some of the beneficiaries of her generosity were Rice University, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Baylor College of Medicine, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, and the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston; she was instrumental in the restoration and renovation of the historic Bayou Bend collection; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jamail and her husband were responsible for the creation and funding of many scholarships for deserving students at many colleges and universities; they established more than 2,000 scholarships at The University of Texas at Austin, where the swimming center is named in Lee Jamail's honor; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jamail served on the Board of Governors of Rice University, the Board of Trustees of the Kinkaid School, and the Development Board of Saint Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston; she and her husband were named Distinguished Alumni of the Houston Ex-Students Association and they received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from The University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, A woman with a dauntless spirit, she gave generously to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew her; and

WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she will long be remembered for her selfless generosity and her many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Lee Hage Jamail: her husband of 57 years, Joseph D. Jamail; her sons, Dahr Jamail, Randall Jamail, and Robert Jamail; her grandchildren, Vanessa, Justice, Blanche, Lili Marie, Dylan, Joe, Robert, Noah, and Martha; her brother, M.K. Hage; and her sister, Christine Fidel; 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 Lee Hage Jamail.

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President of the Senate

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

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate