

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1217

In Memory
of
Shana Patrice Ellis

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Houston in mourning the loss of Shana Patrice Ellis, who died March 28, 2007, at the age of 38; and

WHEREAS, Shana Ellis was a vocational rehabilitation counselor with the Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services; and

WHEREAS, She was born on February 9, 1969; she earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Houston in 1992; she received her teacher certification from the University of Houston in May of 2005; and

WHEREAS, She began her service with the State of Texas in March of 1997; she has worked as a specialist for Child Protective Services in the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, a parole officer for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, a workforce development specialist for the Texas Workforce Commission, and a service coordinator for the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County in Houston; and

WHEREAS, She was a responsible and valued employee who demonstrated exceptional dedication to the vocational rehabilitation program and the needs of its consumers; she was a member of the professional organization Texas RehabACTion Network; and

WHEREAS, Shana Ellis was a kind and thoughtful woman who was devoted to her family and committed to helping others; she

leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by her family, her friends, and all those whose lives she touched; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Shana Patrice Ellis: her son, Steven Lawrence Cox; her daughter, Samantha Elise Ellis; and her parents, Jerome and Pat Ellis; 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 Shana Patrice Ellis.

Gallegos, Whitmire

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 28, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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