

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their  
2 memories of Paula Sue Lawson of Balch Springs, who passed away on  
3 February 5, 2009, at the age of 41; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of Dallas, Ms. Lawson was born on May 30,  
5 1967, to Jackie Lee and Doris Sue Barham; she was the loving wife of  
6 husband Billy Edward Lawson and cherished mother of sons B. J. and  
7 Bryan; and

8           WHEREAS, Ms. Lawson spent her life in the restaurant  
9 industry; she began waiting tables at her grandmother's eatery at  
10 an early age and later worked with her mother, who assumed the  
11 operation of the family business; Ms. Lawson had recently become  
12 the owner of her own restaurant, Paula Sue's Diner, and her friendly  
13 manner won her many loyal customers; and

14           WHEREAS, Volunteering in behalf of numerous local civic and  
15 community organizations, Ms. Lawson supported activities of the  
16 Balch Springs Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the Balch  
17 Springs Library and Learning Center; also an advocate for  
18 increasing recreational opportunities for children, she helped  
19 raise funds to build Kidstown Park; and

20           WHEREAS, Paula Sue Lawson lived a caring and purposeful life,  
21 and she will forever hold a treasured place in the hearts of all  
22 those who shared in her love and friendship; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Paula Sue Lawson and

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1 extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to her  
2 husband, Billy Edward Lawson; to her sons, B. J. and Bryan Lawson;  
3 to her mother, Doris Sue Barham, and Troy Mills; to her brother,  
4 Scott Barham, and his wife, Misty; to her grandmother, Ruth Smith;  
5 and to her other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

6       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Paula Sue  
9 Lawson.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1301 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 23, 2009.

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Chief Clerk of the House