By: Duncan S.C.R. No. 3

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Stacy Furdek of Lubbock passed away on May 26, 2011, 2 at the age of 45, leaving her circle of family and friends to 3 cherish their many happy memories of time spent in her company; and WHEREAS, The daughter of Jim and Diana Richards, the former 4 5 Stacy Rene Richards was born in Lubbock on October 29, 1965; she graduated from Odessa Permian High School and earned her master's 6 degree in English/American literature from Texas Tech University; 7 after teaching English at Mackenzie Middle School, she joined the 8 faculty at Frenship High School, and she also taught at the Smith 9 Unit in Lamesa; her experience there led her to work with the 10 11 Lubbock County Jail to develop a GED program for prisoners; in 12 addition, she was a freelance writer and was conducting research for a book on women on death row; and 13 14 WHEREAS, She married Stephen Furdek in Lubbock on June 1, 1998, and welcomed his son, Nicholas, as her first child; on August 15 16 16, 2000, the couple became the parents of Christopher, who inherited his mother's blue eyes and blond hair; Ms. Furdek was 17 devoted to her children and adored taking Christopher to see his 18 grandmother and on camping trips; generous and compassionate, she 19 20 reached out to those who were suffering and offered love and hope to 21 all those in need; any stray pet who came her way found a new home and tender care, and she instilled concern for the well-being of 22 23 animals in her sons; and

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WHEREAS, Stacy Furdek brought joy to innumerable people

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- 1 through her wonderful sense of humor and great kindness; although
- 2 she will be deeply missed, she will forever hold a special place in
- 3 the hearts of those who were fortunate enough to know her; now,
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas,
- 6 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Stacy Richards
- 7 Furdek and extend sincere condolences to the members of her family:
- 8 to her husband, Stephen Furdek; to her sons, Nicholas and
- 9 Christopher Furdek; to her father, Jim Richards, and his wife,
- 10 Debbie; to her mother, Diana Meyer, and her husband, Kelly; to her
- 11 sister, Cindy Nottingham, and her husband, David; to her nephew,
- 12 Tristan Nottingham; to her niece, Marissa Nottingham; to her
- 13 grandfather, James Richards, and his wife, Florence; and to her
- 14 other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas Senate and House of
- 17 Representatives adjourn this day, they do so in memory of Stacy
- 18 Richards Furdek.