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H.R. No. 215

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Jean May  
2 Keller of Arlington, who passed away on January 6, 2011, at the age  
3 of 46; and

4           WHEREAS, Born on April 20, 1964, Ms. Keller graduated from  
5 Cedarville University in Ohio with a bachelor's degree in biology  
6 and worked as a medical technologist until her marriage to the  
7 Reverend Joseph A. Keller; while they were living in Columbus,  
8 Ohio, she taught a high school level biology course that provided  
9 lab experience to homeschooled students; and

10           WHEREAS, The couple eventually became the proud parents of  
11 six children, Hannah, Rebekah, Ruth, Naomi, Deborah, and Daniel,  
12 and Ms. Keller devoted herself to their education; she shared her  
13 love of science and nature with them, and among the many homeschool  
14 activities she arranged were field trips to parks, libraries, zoos,  
15 museums, and a fishery; moreover, she took her family to hunt  
16 fossils at Benbrook Lake and Lake Texoma and showed the youngsters  
17 how to identify and organize the items in their collections; and

18           WHEREAS, An avid horsewoman, Ms. Keller frequently took her  
19 family riding; she engaged her children in such interesting hobbies  
20 as scrapbooking, and she introduced them to the democratic process  
21 through work on a political campaign; in addition, she was a loyal  
22 fan of the Dallas Stars hockey team and would cheer for them at  
23 games until she grew hoarse; and

24           WHEREAS, Giving generously of her time and talents, Ms.

1 Keller taught Sunday school at Christ Covenant Church; she also  
2 organized the girls' ministry, led counseling sessions for women,  
3 and planned campouts for the congregation; and

4 WHEREAS, Jean Keller will be deeply missed, but memories of  
5 her steadfast dedication to her family and faith remain to comfort  
6 those she left behind; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jean May Keller and  
9 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her  
10 husband, Reverend Joseph A. Keller; to her daughters, Hannah,  
11 Rebekah, Ruth, Naomi, and Deborah; to her son, Daniel; and to her  
12 other relatives and friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jean May  
16 Keller.