RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
- 2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends
- 3 of Hope Wilson Huffman of San Angelo, who passed away on March 29,
- 4 2010, at the age of 49; and
- 5 WHEREAS, This seventh-generation Texan could trace her
- 6 family lineage back to members of Stephen F. Austin's Old Three
- 7 Hundred and to German settlers who helped to establish the town of
- 8 Gruene; born in San Angelo on February 5, 1961, to Duncan
- 9 C. O. Wilson, Jr., and Patricia Hope Wilson, Ms. Huffman graduated
- 10 from Central High School in 1979; she went on to attend The
- 11 University of Texas, where she earned a bachelor of science degree
- 12 in speech and was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority; and
- WHEREAS, Keenly interested in politics, Ms. Huffman worked
- 14 for Senator John Tower after college and then for President Ronald
- 15 Reagan's 1984 reelection campaign; following President Reagan's
- 16 victory, she received an appointment in the U.S. Department of
- 17 Agriculture, and she later returned to Austin to work for Karl
- 18 Rove's political consulting firm; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Hope Huffman and her husband, James, were joined in
- 20 matrimony on November 14, 1987; they shared a loving relationship
- 21 and were blessed with two daughters, Grace and Virginia; the family
- 22 made its home in the Santa Rita neighborhood of San Angelo, where
- 23 Ms. Huffman enjoyed the company of many lifelong friends; active in
- 24 the community, she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and

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- 1 she volunteered her time with a number of organizations, including
- 2 the Humane Society of Tom Green County, the San Angelo Symphony, and
- 3 the West Texas Rehabilitation Center; Ms. Huffman also served as a
- 4 director of the Upper Colorado River Authority from 1999 until her
- 5 passing; and
- 6 WHEREAS, An avid naturalist and land conservationist, Hope
- 7 Huffman loved being outdoors, and she especially enjoyed working on
- 8 her Coralina Ranch, which had been in her family since 1885; side by
- 9 side with her husband, she devoted countless hours of effort to
- 10 improving the land, and she also continued to care for her father's
- 11 cherished pecan orchard; an expert markswoman, she had a great
- 12 passion for hunting as well as traveling, and she went on memorable
- 13 safaris to places such as Africa, New Zealand, and Alaska; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Hope Huffman possessed a zest for life and a
- 15 generosity of spirit that brightened the world for all around her,
- 16 and those who were privileged to share in her love and affection
- 17 will forever hold her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Hope Wilson Huffman
- 20 and extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her
- 21 husband, James Gordon Huffman, Jr.; to her daughters, Grace Wilson
- 22 Huffman and Virginia Lynn Huffman; to her brother and
- 23 sister-in-law, Cam and Lydia Wilson; to her nephews, Nick and Max
- 24 Wilson; to her mother-in-law, Kathleen Porter; and to her other
- 25 relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 26 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 27 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of

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- 1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Hope
- 2 Huffman.

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Chief Clerk of the House