SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 810

In Memory of Jean Moffett Dendy

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Jean Moffett Dendy, whose days were cut short September 27, 2009; and

WHEREAS, To know Jean was to love Jean, because love was her customary frame of mind; she loved working in the Texas Senate, and she loved the people with whom she worked, from the passionate young people she trained to the grizzled veterans who knew she would tell them the unvarnished truth; and

WHEREAS, Jean Dendy was born three days after Christmas, and she carried with her throughout her life a sense of that season's possibilities as well as its good cheer; always quick with a smile or a laugh, she was the glue that held an office together, even on those difficult days that come to pass in every legislative session; and

WHEREAS, Her family in the office of Senator Davis will forever cherish the memories of carpooling to the district, of shared dinners and tours of the Capitol, of her ignoring them while she jammed to the music on her headphones, and of her excitement at finally, finally, getting her own office after 17 years; and

WHEREAS, Jean Dendy left a legacy of service and warm collegiality in the halls of the Texas Capitol; providing her invaluable assistance in several offices, she worked for Senator Moncrief for 12 years and for Senator Ellis for six years before bringing her experience and enthusiasm to the office of Senator Davis; and

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WHEREAS, Even more than her life at the Senate, Jean treasured her family above all else; her husband, Henry, her sons, Patrick and Andrew, and her extended family all will remember her for her warmth, her abiding devotion, and her valued counsel; and

WHEREAS, A woman of courage, strength, faith, and compassion, she gave unselfishly to all those who were privileged to share in her life, and she will long be remembered with affection and admiration for her generous spirit and her many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas hereby extend sincere condolences to the grieving family of Jean Moffett Dendy; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of profound sympathy from the Texas Senate. Davis, Ellis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 3, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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