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H.R. No. 107

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of Cynthia Elaine Jones Burks
2 of Grand Prairie sustained a great loss with her untimely passing on
3 June 29, 2013, at the age of 57; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Houston on December 30, 1955, Cynthia Burks
5 graduated with honors from Phillis Wheatley High School; she joined
6 the National Guard in 1974 and went on to serve as a medic in the
7 Houston-Galveston area and then in Laredo before being assigned to
8 Grand Prairie in 1988; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. Burks was called to active duty in 1990 and
10 deployed to the Middle East during Operation Desert Storm; three
11 years later, she was medically discharged as a sergeant first
12 class; and

13 WHEREAS, Though she suffered from health problems, Ms. Burks
14 became an active volunteer with the USO, the Veterans of Foreign
15 Wars, and the Disabled American Veterans; dedicated to supporting
16 her fellow service members, she met troops as they arrived and
17 departed from DFW International Airport, and she attended many
18 funerals for veterans and fallen soldiers; and

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Burks was a devoted mother to three sons,
20 Marcus, Kendrick, and Charles, and an active member of the
21 congregation at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Arlington; and

22 WHEREAS, Although her life ended far too soon, Cynthia Burks
23 will forever hold a treasured place in the hearts of all those
24 privileged to share in her love and friendship; now, therefore, be

1 it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
4 Cynthia Elaine Jones Burks and extend sincere sympathy to the
5 members of her family: to her sons, Marcus, Kendrick, and Charles
6 Burks; to her sisters, Yvonne Jones-Darnell and Wanda, Deborah, and
7 Darlene Jones; to her brothers, Kenneth Jones, Sr., and Rodney
8 Jones; to her grandchild; and to her other relatives and many
9 friends; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Cynthia
13 Elaine Jones Burks.