

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The life of an accomplished Texan drew to a close  
2 with the passing of Rebecca Watson Carroll of Arlington on October  
3 17, 2012, at the age of 66; and

4           WHEREAS, Born on October 14, 1946, to Marion and John Watson,  
5 Becky Watson was raised in Dallas and was a member of the B. A.  
6 Belles drill team while a student at Bryan Adams High School; she  
7 went on to enroll at Stephen F. Austin State University, where she  
8 was active in the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority; during her freshman  
9 year, she met the love of her life, Christopher Carroll, and they  
10 married in 1969, shortly after she earned her bachelor's degree;  
11 the couple later became the parents of two beloved children, James  
12 and Katie; and

13           WHEREAS, Ms. Carroll taught high school English in Lewisville  
14 for two years before spending six years with the Woodbine  
15 Development Company in Dallas as its liaison with the community and  
16 elected officials and as its director of marketing; in 1980, she and  
17 her husband entered the restaurant business and founded Spring  
18 Creek Barbeque; they later added a Mexican restaurant and then two  
19 other restaurant brands, expanding from one location in Richardson  
20 to a business that today includes 45 locations and more than 2,000  
21 employees; and

22           WHEREAS, Ms. Carroll excelled in each of her myriad  
23 responsibilities with Spring Creek Companies; she was greatly  
24 admired for treating employees like family, and she encouraged

1 academic success among student workers by developing grade-bonus,  
2 tuition-assistance, and award programs; in addition, she guided the  
3 business's efforts to reach out to the local community by  
4 supporting churches, schools, charities, and civic groups; and

5 WHEREAS, An individual of many talents, Becky Carroll  
6 approached all of her endeavors with strength, honesty, and  
7 compassion, and she leaves behind a legacy that will continue to  
8 inspire others for years to come; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Becky Carroll and  
11 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her  
12 husband, Christopher Carroll; to her children, James and Katie  
13 Carroll; to her sisters and their husbands, Ginni and J. Robinson  
14 and Nancy and Jim Mook; to her brother, Scott Watson; to her  
15 mother-in-law, Ivan Phillips; and to her other relatives and  
16 friends; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Becky  
20 Carroll.

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H.R. No. 974

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 974 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 27, 2013.

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Chief Clerk of the House