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H.R. No. 1676

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family, friends, and the arts community of El Paso
2 are mourning the loss of Georgianna Sylvia Davanelos, who died on
3 March 19, 2013, at the age of 41; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, Ms. Davanelos
5 graduated from the Presentation of Mary Academy and attended the
6 University of Massachusetts Lowell; a talented singer, she joined
7 the El Paso Opera in 2000 as a volunteer, singing in the chorus and
8 later taking comprimario roles in many productions, including
9 *Madama Butterfly*, *Carmen*, and *Aida*; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Davanelos went on to become an essential and
11 beloved member of the opera's staff, working as executive
12 assistant, artist administrator, and box office manager; outgoing,
13 knowledgeable, and professional, she was regarded with respect and
14 affection not only by the company's artists and staff, but by
15 visiting opera singers from across the nation and around the world;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, A woman of deep religious faith, Ms. Davanelos
18 shared her gift for singing with the choirs of St. Mark's United
19 Methodist Church and First Baptist Church El Paso; and

20 WHEREAS, Georgianna Davanelos was a lively and warmhearted
21 presence in the lives of her family and friends, and though her time
22 here was far too brief, the memory of her vivacity, generosity, and
23 passion for music remain to comfort and inspire all those who had
24 the good fortune to know her; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to Georgianna Sylvia Davanelos and
3 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her
4 mother, Patricia Davanelos; to her father, George Davanelos; to her
5 sister, Jennifer Arredondo, and her husband, Mark; to her godson,
6 Jared; to her nephews, Alex and Tony Arredondo; and to her other
7 relatives and friends; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Georgianna
11 Davanelos.