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H.R. No. 2720

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, No words can soften the pain of a life cut short, but
2 the family and friends of Salina Ann Rios of El Paso may find
3 comfort in their memories of this beloved young woman, who passed
4 away on April 26, 2013, at the age of 22; and

5 WHEREAS, Salina Rios, affectionately known as "Sal," was born
6 on September 16, 1990, to Edward and Theresa Rios; adored by her
7 older brothers, Jacob and Aaron, she spent much of her childhood
8 with them honing her skills on the soccer field; and

9 WHEREAS, Also talented academically, Ms. Rios graduated in
10 the top 10 percent of her class at Montwood High School and went on
11 to attend The University of Texas at Austin, where she was honored
12 as the Hispanic Health Professions Organization 2009-2010 Member of
13 the Year; she was known for her incomparable kindness and
14 compassion, both for her family and for children with disabilities;
15 in addition to volunteering with the Texas Autism Project, KidWorks
16 Therapy Services, and ColorCancer, she contributed to a number of
17 important causes through her participation in benefit runs, and
18 before her passing, she established the Head for the Cure Austin
19 race in an effort to raise awareness about brain cancer; and

20 WHEREAS, Though deeply saddened by her passing, those who
21 were fortunate enough to share in the affection and friendship of
22 Salina Rios will forever hold her close in their hearts; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Salina Ann Rios and
2 extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her
3 parents, Edward and Theresa Rios; to her brothers, Jacob Rios and
4 his wife, Allegra, and Aaron Rios and his wife, Tammy; to her
5 nieces, Tatum, Liliana, Miranda, and Mariana; to her nephews, Tosh
6 and Chris; to her grandparents, Lilia Rios, Irma Lerma, and Arturo
7 Lerma, Sr., and Chole Lerma; and to her other relatives and many
8 friends; and, be it further

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