SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 49

In Memory of Maria Teresa Devlin

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas extends condolences to those mourning the loss of Maria Teresa Devlin, who died October 16, 2012, at the age of 71; and WHEREAS, Maria Teresa Devlin was born in San Jose, Costa

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WHEREAS, In 1992, Teresa chose to pursue her vocation as a missionary, and in 1996, she began her ministry in Honduras; she devoted her time to connecting with the people, and she opened a conservatory of music that continues to have an impact on the lives of young citizens; in 2009, she broke ground for an orphanage that is in partnership with the Baptist University of the Americas; and

WHEREAS, Teresa was a devout Christian and a generous, kindhearted person; she was respected and admired in the community for the sacrifices she made while helping others; and

WHEREAS, Teresa Devlin was a true humanitarian who was beloved by many, and she will long be remembered with affection and appreciation by all who were privileged to share in her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Maria Teresa Devlin; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Teresa Devlin.

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 28, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate