

By: White of Tyler

H.R. No. 1571

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and many friends of Lisa Merka of Trout
2 Creek were deeply saddened by her untimely passing on January 6,
3 2015, at the age of 50; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of the Kirbyville area, Ms. Merka was an
5 active and valued member of her community; in addition to directing
6 the local chamber of commerce, she contributed to her congregation
7 at First Assembly of God Church, where she taught children's
8 classes and volunteered to assist with a number of vital projects;
9 she was employed by CHRISTUS Jasper Memorial Hospital, and she
10 earned the admiration of her colleagues for the compassionate care
11 she provided; and

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Merka shared a rewarding marriage with her
13 husband, Travis, with whom she raised two sons, Ivan and Randy;
14 through the years, she was further blessed with a daughter-in-law,
15 Ashley, and she became the beloved "MaMaw" of two grandchildren,
16 Autumn and Kayden; and

17 WHEREAS, Lisa Merka lived her life with enthusiasm and joy,
18 and though her journey on this earth ended far too soon, memories of
19 her faith, warmth, and service to others will continue to comfort
20 and inspire all those who knew and loved her; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lisa Merka and extend
23 sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her husband,
24 Travis Merka; to her sons, Ivan Merka and Randy Merka and his wife,

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1 Ashley; to her grandchildren, Autumn Grace Merka and Kayden Parker
2 Merka; and to her other relatives and many friends; and, be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lisa Merka.