

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The certain knowledge of a life well lived may help  
2 comfort the loved ones of Dr. Karen Hicks-Allredge of Sweetwater,  
3 who passed away on March 9, 2015, at the age of 62; and

4           WHEREAS, Karen Hicks was born on March 19, 1952, to Delores  
5 Audis and Orville Hicks in Farmington, New Mexico; she grew up in  
6 Window Rock, Arizona, in the Navajo Nation, and graduated from high  
7 school in Aberdeen, South Dakota; after earning a degree in  
8 environmental science and chemistry from Northern State University  
9 in 1974, she went to work for the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife  
10 Department; and

11           WHEREAS, In 1983, she obtained her doctoral degree in  
12 veterinary medicine from Iowa State University and began practicing  
13 in Midland; additionally, she participated in graduate programs in  
14 theriogenology at the University of Illinois and at Texas A&M  
15 University; she moved to Sweetwater in 1993 and worked alongside  
16 her husband, Dr. Bud Allredge, at Sweetwater Veterinary Hospital,  
17 where she was known for the kindness that she showed to both animals  
18 and their owners; and

19           WHEREAS, Dr. Hicks-Allredge was committed to serving her  
20 community as well; she led her local Rotary Club for a term as  
21 president and was honored by the organization as a Paul Harris  
22 Fellow; she was also devoted to her faith as a member of the  
23 Presbyterian Church; and

24           WHEREAS, A professional of great skill and compassion, Karen

1 Hicks-Alldredge touched countless lives, and she will forever hold  
2 a treasured place in the hearts of those she leaves behind; now,  
3 therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Karen  
6 Hicks-Alldredge and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her  
7 family: to her husband, Dr. Bud E. Alldredge Jr.; to her parents,  
8 Delores Audis and Orville Hicks; to her siblings, Sherry Hirsch and  
9 her husband, V. J., Jim Hicks and his wife, Deb, and Gary Hicks and  
10 his wife, Deb; to her stepchildren, Dr. Bud E. Alldredge III and his  
11 wife, Kelly, and Michelle LaMendola and her husband, Tom; to her  
12 step-grandchildren, Isabella and Nicholas LaMendola, Chase  
13 Alldredge, Melissa Primeaux and her husband, Jonathan, Dillion  
14 Martin and his wife, Crystal, and Courtney Porter; to her nieces and  
15 nephews, John Hirsch and his wife, Candice, Samantha Goodman and  
16 her husband, Kevin, Tara Knapp and her husband, Craig, Alicia  
17 Malstrom and her husband, Stephen, James, Tara, and Eli Hicks, and  
18 Tanya Tubbs; to her five step-great-grandchildren; and to her other  
19 relatives and friends; and, be it further

20         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
21 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Karen  
23 Hicks-Alldredge.

King of Taylor

H.R. No. 1731

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1731 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 7, 2015.

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Chief Clerk of the House