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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Corpus Christi lost an esteemed community leader
- 2 with the passing of Donelda Daub Sluyter on April 3, 2015, at the
- 3 age of 74; and
- WHEREAS, Born in Alberta, Canada, on June 1, 1942, the former
- 5 Doni Daub grew up in Calgary and Lethbridge; she moved to Tulsa,
- 6 Oklahoma, to attend college, and there she met her future husband,
- 7 Dr. Gary V. Sluyter, with whom she would have a beloved son,
- 8 Michael; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Ms. Sluyter became a naturalized citizen in 1969,
- 10 while living in Austin, and she completed her bachelor's degree in
- 11 business administration two years later; after residing in Houston,
- 12 she moved with her family to Corpus Christi; and
- WHEREAS, Early in her career, Ms. Sluyter worked for the
- 14 Penneco Oil Company; she later established her own CPA firm, and she
- 15 owned a boutique, Bolero's, and a second shop in Rockport;
- 16 subsequently, she was employed by other CPA accounting firms before
- 17 starting a successful solo practice from her home; in recognition
- 18 of her professional accomplishments, she received a Y Women in
- 19 Careers Award from the YWCA; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Committed to the betterment of her community,
- 21 Ms. Sluyter served as president of the Corpus Christi Branch of the
- 22 YWCA, and she chaired its finance committee and its Women in Careers
- 23 Awards event; a founding board member of the Tuloso-Midway ISD
- 24 Education Foundation, she served as its treasurer for 10 years, and

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- 1 she also was a member of the boards of the Corpus Christi Women's
- 2 Shelter and the Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society; moreover, she
- 3 was president of the local branch of the American Association of
- 4 University Women (AAUW) and chaired its Outreach Committee, which
- 5 provided assistance to high school students; she gave generously to
- 6 numerous causes, and she was especially dedicated to helping
- 7 animals; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Ms. Sluyter had many talents, and she crafted
- 9 beautiful artworks as an active member of the Hericane Stampers; an
- 10 avid reader, she belonged to both the Corpus Christi Literary
- 11 Reading Series and an AAUW book club; she loved to travel and to
- 12 entertain, and she was a charming and gracious hostess; for a number
- 13 of years, she met monthly with a group known as the Goddesses to
- 14 celebrate birthdays and other occasions; and
- WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to her family and her community, Doni
- 16 Sluyter made a meaningful difference in the lives of her loved ones
- 17 and fellow citizens alike, and her contributions will be fondly
- 18 remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Donelda Daub
- 21 Sluyter and extend sincere condolences to her loved ones: to her
- 22 son, Michael Sluyter, and his wife, Shalla; to her granddaughter,
- 23 Allison Faria; to her sisters, Mary Stubbs and Michelle Low; to her
- 24 brothers, Daniel Daub and his wife, Deborah, Peter Daub and his
- 25 wife, Kay, and Gary Daub and his wife, Lisa; and to her many other
- 26 relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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- 1 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Doni
- 3 Sluyter.