RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The city of Marshall lost an admired resident with 2 the passing of Jennifer Larned on May 23, 2015, at the age of 64; and 3 WHEREAS, Jennifer Larned was born in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, on August 9, 1950, to Royce and Betty Larned; two years 4 5 after moving with her family to Marshall, she graduated as a member of the Marshall High School Class of 1968, and she subsequently 6 earned a bachelor's degree from East Texas Baptist College; she 7 went on to enjoy a fulfilling career as secretary and comptroller of 8 the local Head Start program, for which she maintained accurate 9 documentation and ensured compliance with federal government 10 11 regulations; she also handled the funds and grants used to finance 12 the restoration of the historic Harrison County courthouse; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to her busy professional life, 14 Ms. Larned explored her love of the stage as a cofounder of the Amity Community Theatre and as a theatrical technician for the 15 Opera House Theatre Players and other amateur companies 16 in Marshall, Jefferson, and Longview; though she preferred the 17 behind-the-scenes action of lighting, set building, and costuming, 18 she acquired a performance credit with her role as the nurse in a 19 production of The Man Who Came to Dinner; and 20

21 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to her community, Ms. Larned 22 benefited her local Rotary Club as district secretary and was 23 honored by the organization as a Paul Harris Fellow, and she also 24 was active with the Greater Marshall Chamber of Commerce and the

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Marshall Regional Arts Council; she further distinguished herself 1 as an enthusiastic supporter of the Harrison County Democratic 2 3 Party and the Marshall/Harrison County League of Women Voters, and she shared her time and talents with numerous political campaigns; 4 5 a staunch advocate of preserving the area's historic buildings and cemeteries, she also served as chair of the Harrison County 6 Historical Commission and was involved with a number of other local 7 8 historic and cultural organizations, and she wrote or edited the text of several of the county's historical markers; and 9

10 WHEREAS, Jennifer Larned was a significant asset to her 11 community and an inspiring role model to many, and she leaves behind 12 a record of service that her loved ones can remember with pride; 13 now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jennifer Larned and 15 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her 16 17 siblings, Chester Larned and his wife, Sharon, and Penelope Narramore and her husband, Roger; to her niece and nephews, Keeley 18 19 Pratt and her husband, David, Bryan Larned and his wife, Amanda, and William and Clay Narramore; to her great-nieces and great-nephews, 20 Addison, Morgan, and Brynnan Pratt and Christian and Alecia Perez; 21 to her cousin, Candyce Clayton; to her aunt, Jan Clayton; and to her 22 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further 23

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 2 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of 3 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jennifer 4 Larned.

> Hughes Paddie

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 3459 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 31, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House