By: Hughes H.R. No. 3459

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 7 earned a bachelor's degree from East Texas Baptist College; she went on to enjoy a fulfilling career as secretary and comptroller of 8 9 the local Head Start program, for which she maintained accurate 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 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 20 production of The Man Who Came to Dinner; and 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 was active with the Greater Marshall Chamber of Commerce and the 2.4

- 1 Marshall Regional Arts Council; she further distinguished herself
- 2 as an enthusiastic supporter of the Harrison County Democratic
- 3 Party and the Marshall/Harrison County League of Women Voters, and
- 4 she shared her time and talents with numerous political campaigns;
- 5 a staunch advocate of preserving the area's historic buildings and
- 6 cemeteries, she also served as chair of the Harrison County
- 7 Historical Commission and was involved with a number of other local
- 8 historic and cultural organizations, and she wrote or edited the
- 9 text of several of the county's historical markers; and
- 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
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jennifer Larned and
- 16 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her
- 17 siblings, Chester Larned and his wife, Sharon, and Penelope
- 18 Narramore and her husband, Roger; to her niece and nephews, Keeley
- 19 Pratt and her husband, David, Bryan Larned and his wife, Amanda, and
- 20 William and Clay Narramore; to her great-nieces and great-nephews,
- 21 Addison, Morgan, and Brynnan Pratt and Christian and Alecia Perez;
- 22 to her cousin, Candyce Clayton; to her aunt, Jan Clayton; and to her
- 23 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 25 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 26 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jennifer
- 27 Larned.