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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The tragic passing of Domaniek Shepherd on March 22,
2 2016, at the age of 38, brought a heartbreaking loss to the family
3 and many friends of this beloved woman; and

4 WHEREAS, Domaniek Shepherd was born on February 17, 1978, in
5 Gary, Indiana, to Wayman and Patricia Shepherd; she moved with her
6 family to Texas in 1984 and attended Skyline High School in Dallas,
7 where she demonstrated musical talent and leadership skills as head
8 drum major for the Raider Band; after graduating, she went on to
9 study fashion design and merchandising at Texas Woman's University
10 and began her lifelong involvement in Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority as
11 a member of the campus's Kappa Nu Chapter; and

12 WHEREAS, Seldom afraid to take risks in the pursuit of her
13 dreams, Ms. Shepherd founded two businesses, Dmari Group and Miique
14 Apparel, along with a nonprofit organization focused on women's
15 empowerment known as I Love Me; an accomplished seamstress, her
16 signature flair for bold colors and daring designs gave her
17 clothing a style all its own; and

18 WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to her family, Ms. Shepherd was the
19 mother of two children, Jaida and Kollin, and she shared a rewarding
20 relationship with her fiancé, Kacey Bernard Titus; in addition to
21 her enthusiasm for fashion, she enjoyed decorating, baking,
22 shopping, and arts and crafts, and she earned the affection of
23 innumerable people with her positive and fun-loving nature and her
24 ability to make others laugh; and

1 WHEREAS, Although her journey on this earth ended far too
2 soon, Domaniek Shepherd enriched the lives of her loved ones beyond
3 measure, and they will forever remember the passion, creativity,
4 and joyous spirit that she brought to every endeavor she undertook;
5 now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
7 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
8 of Domaniek Shepherd and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members
9 of her family: to her children, Jaida Simone Cole and Kollin Bernard
10 Titus; to her parents, Wayman Shepherd and Patricia Shepherd; to
11 her sisters, Tanieka Davis and Syreeta Shepherd; to her nephews,
12 Kole Davis and Omann K. Newton; to her grandparents, Vera Brumfield
13 and Juanita Shepherd; to her fiancé, Kacey Bernard Titus; and to her
14 other relatives and friends; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Domaniek
18 Shepherd.