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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of
- 2 Dr. Valerie Kim Wright of Waco, who passed away on April 7, 2017, at
- 3 the age of 73; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of Grant and Venita Brown, the former
- 5 Valerie Brown was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on December 10,
- 6 1943; she completed her bachelor's degree and her master's degree in
- 7 anatomy at the University of Utah, and after graduating from
- 8 Women's College of Medicine in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, she
- 9 became the first female resident in plastic surgery at Baylor
- 10 College of Medicine; and
- 11 WHEREAS, She married a fellow surgeon, Dr. Robert M. Wright
- 12 Jr., on May 7, 1977, and during the final year of her general
- 13 residency, she gave birth to their daughter, A. J.; she and her
- 14 husband established a plastic and reconstructive surgery practice
- 15 together in 1984, and the following year, they performed one of the
- 16 first hand replantations in Central Texas; the couple also became
- 17 the parents of a second child, Randy; and
- WHEREAS, Over the course of 34 years in medicine, Dr. Wright
- 19 established a reputation as a leader in her field and touched the
- 20 lives of countless people; in her free time, she pursued a wide
- 21 variety of interests, among them reading, bead making, knitting,
- 22 and playing guitar and piano, and she was a true animal lover; and
- WHEREAS, Valerie Wright lived a rich and purposeful life
- 24 centered around her work and her family, and she will long be

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- 1 remembered with deep admiration and affection by all who knew her;
- 2 now, therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Valerie Kim
- 5 Wright and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her passing;
- 6 and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of
- 10 Dr. Valerie Wright.

Anderson of McLennan

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1499 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 4, 2017.

Chief Clerk of the House