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H.R. No. 1499

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 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

18 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

23 WHEREAS, Valerie Wright lived a rich and purposeful life
24 centered around her work and her family, and she will long be

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.