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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Heather Madeline Lathem of Childress, who passed  
2 away on March 14, 2017, at the age of 13, touched the hearts of  
3 countless people during her brief time on this earth; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Childress on November 10, 2003, Maddie  
5 Lathem was the cherished daughter of Hunt and Hannah Lathem; she was  
6 a seventh grade student at Childress Junior High School, where she  
7 enjoyed visiting with her teachers and friends and studying her  
8 favorite subject, history; Maddie also had an active life outside  
9 of school, participating in gymnastics and church activities, and  
10 she had dreams of one day becoming a professional baker; and

11 WHEREAS, Blessed with a beautiful smile and a contagious  
12 laugh, Maddie brought joy and enthusiasm to every moment; she  
13 inherited her passion for reading from her mother and her sense of  
14 humor from her father, and she took great delight in spending time  
15 with her close-knit family, which included her older brother and  
16 best friend, Sam; and

17 WHEREAS, Through her love, kindness, and purity of spirit,  
18 Maddie Lathem inspired the best in everyone around her, and the  
19 wealth of happy memories that she leaves behind will be treasured  
20 forever; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Heather Madeline  
23 Lathem and extend deepest condolences to the members of her family:  
24 to her parents, Hunt and Hannah Lathem; to her brother, Sam Lathem;

1 to her grandparents, Randall Ryan and his wife, Shirley, and Marc  
2 and Kay Lathem; to her aunts, Serena Davidson and her husband,  
3 Clint, and Heather Sharp and her husband, Lane; to her uncles, Paul  
4 Ryan and his wife, Jennifer, and Zack Ryan and his wife, Beth; to  
5 her cousins, Ryan, Donny, Ashley, Hunter, Belle, Kate, Barrett, and  
6 Emmy; and to her other relatives and friends; 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 Maddie  
10 Lathem.