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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their memories of Sylvia Diana Lopez of Rio Grande City, who passed away on September 28, 2017, at the age of 61; and

WHEREAS, The former Sylvia Garcia was born on April 30, 1956, to Jose Leon Garcia and Margarita Carrera, and she grew up with the companionship of three siblings, Jose, Ernesto, and Elda; a 1974 graduate of Rio Grande City High School, she later returned to school and earned a degree from The University of Texas-Pan American in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Guided by her compassion and her determination to be an advocate for the underserved, Ms. Lopez pursued a career as a licensed social worker; for nearly two decades, she served as director of the social work department at Starr County Memorial Hospital, and she also generously shared her expertise with undergraduate and graduate social work students as a field instructor for The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lopez was the devoted mother of three children, Dalinda, Frank, and Melinda, and she took great pride in her two granddaughters, Cinco and Viva; in her leisure time, she enjoyed relaxing on the beach, fishing in the bay, and inviting family and friends over for beer and barbecue; and

WHEREAS, Although Sylvia Lopez is deeply missed, she will forever be remembered with admiration and affection by her loved ones and by the many people whose lives were touched by her work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Sylvia Diana Lopez and extend sincere sympathy to her family and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sylvia Diana Lopez.