RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The passing of Sherry Diane Wakeland of Maypearl on
- 2 March 18, 2019, at the age of 51, has brought profound sorrow to all
- 3 those who loved and cherished her; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The former Sherry Diane Ray was the beloved daughter
- 5 of Adah Ray and the late Donald Ray, and she grew up with the
- 6 companionship of a brother, Mark; she attended Abilene Christian
- 7 University, where she met her future husband, Christopher James
- 8 Wakeland; the couple married on March 19, 1988, and resided in
- 9 Waxahachie for a time before settling in the Maypearl community;
- 10 they became the devoted parents of four sons, Kyle, Daniel, Brett,
- 11 and Landon, and Ms. Wakeland embraced her role as a mother, taking
- 12 immense pride in raising her sons to be respectable men; and
- WHEREAS, Dedicated to nurturing the development of children,
- 14 Ms. Wakeland returned to school in 2012 to complete her bachelor's
- 15 degree and obtain her teaching certificate; for the past four
- 16 years, she taught elementary school students in the Hillsboro
- 17 Independent School District, where her passion and natural affinity
- 18 for education were apparent to all; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Although her journey on this earth ended far too
- 20 soon, Sherry Diane Wakeland inspired everyone around her with her
- 21 tremendous grace and determination, and her memory will continue to
- 22 shine brightly in the hearts of those who were blessed to know her;
- 23 now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Sherry Diane Wakeland
- 2 and extend deepest condolences to the members of her family: to her
- 3 mother, Adah Ray; to her husband, Chris Wakeland; to her sons, Kyle
- 4 Wakeland and his wife, Samantha, Daniel Wakeland, Brett Wakeland,
- 5 and Landon Wakeland; to her brother, Mark Ray, and his wife, Rhonda;
- 6 to her sister-in-law, Lori Wakeland Duff; to her nephews, Matthew
- 7 and Nathan Ray and Tyler Duff; and to her other relatives and
- 8 friends; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sherry
- 12 Diane Wakeland.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1045 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 12, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House