

By: Wray

H.R. No. 1045

R E S O L U T I O N

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

13           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

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.