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H.R. No. 1776

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

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

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

1 now, therefore, be it

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

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