By: Lozano H.R. No. 675

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The life of an admired educator, philanthropist, and

2 community leader drew to a close with the death of Dr. Teresa Lozano

3 Long on March 21, 2021, at the age of 92; and

4 WHEREAS, The former Teresa Altagracia Lozano was born on July

5 20, 1928, and was raised on a dairy farm in Premont; at the age of

6 16, she was the valedictorian of her high school graduating class,

7 and she went on to become the first Mexican American and woman to

8 earn bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in kinesiology at

9 The University of Texas; while starting her career as a high school

10 teacher in Alice, she met Joe Long, and the couple were married in

11 1958, sharing 63 years together; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Lozano Long and her husband were longtime

13 champions of education, medicine, and the arts in the Lone Star

14 State, donating more than \$150 million to nonprofits and

15 universities over the years; they were especially generous to The

16 University of Texas, giving \$25 million to fund scholarships for

17 health care students and another \$25 million to support faculty

18 recruitment and medical student scholarships at UT Health San

19 Antonio; the Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long School of Medicine was

20 named in their honor, and the UT Institute of Latin American Studies

21 was named after Dr. Lozano Long; their names also grace the Long

22 Center for the Performing Arts in Austin and the Long Endowed Chair

23 in Piano at the UT Butler School of Music; and

24 WHEREAS, In addition to her philanthropic endeavors,

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- 1 Dr. Lozano Long served on the board of the Texas State Committee of
- 2 the National Museum of Women in the Arts, the UT Austin Development
- 3 Board, the Chancellor's Council Executive Committee, and the
- 4 National Council on the Arts; she was a trustee of Austin College,
- 5 and she served on a regional panel to interview applicants for
- 6 fellowships at the White House; a woman of strong faith, she was an
- 7 active member of St. Austin Catholic Parish; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Lozano Long's many honors included the Pro Bene
- 9 Meritis Award from the UT College of Liberal Arts, the Thurgood
- 10 Marshall Legal Society for Commitment to Diversity Award from the
- 11 UT School of Law, the Texas Medal of Arts Award, the Women Shaping
- 12 Texas in the 20th Century Award from the Bullock Texas State History
- 13 Museum, the Madeleine Rast Award from the National Museum of Women
- 14 in the Arts, and induction into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame; in
- 15 2018, she and her husband received the UT System's highest honor,
- 16 the Santa Rita Award for philanthropy and public service, and in
- 17 2019, Dr. Lozano Long was presented with the President's National
- 18 Humanities Medal in a ceremony at the White House in Washington,
- 19 D.C.; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Teresa Lozano Long lived a rich and purposeful life
- 21 devoted to the service of others, and she leaves behind a legacy of
- 22 good works that will forever be remembered; now, therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dr. Teresa Lozano
- 25 Long and extend heartfelt sympathy to her husband, Joe R. Long, to
- 26 her brother, Hector Lozano, and to the other members of her family
- 27 and her many friends; and, be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 3 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Teresa
- 4 Lozano Long.