

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56

In Memory  
of  
Katherine Lindley Spaht Dodson

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Dr. Katherine Lindley Spaht Dodson, who died tragically at the age of 43 on January 26, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, A caring, brilliant, and gifted individual, Lindley Dodson was a highly esteemed citizen and physician, and she inspired her many friends, colleagues, and loved ones through her joyful spirit, her easy laughter, and her selfless example; and

**WHEREAS**, Born on June 30, 1977, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Lindley Spaht earned her diploma from the Episcopal High School of Baton Rouge in 1995; she went on to graduate magna cum laude from Washington and Lee University, where she met her future husband, Frederick Drew Dodson; she attended medical school at Louisiana State University School of Medicine in New Orleans and completed her residency in pediatrics at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital; she later served as an urgent care physician at Boston Children's Hospital and as an instructor at Harvard Medical School; and

**WHEREAS**, Lindley married Drew Dodson in 2006, and they moved to Austin the following year; she joined the staff at Dell Children's Medical Center as a pediatric hospitalist and served as a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics at Dell Medical School; she was twice honored as the Pediatric Faculty Member of the Year during her 10 years of outstanding service; and

**WHEREAS**, She established her practice at Children's Medical Group in 2017, and she proudly became an owner of the organization in 2020; she served as a trusted pediatrician to countless Austin families and was a much-valued mentor to the Austin medical community; she was a passionate advocate for children and a model of professional excellence, and she was treasured by her patients and their parents for the special attention and care she gave to each; and

**WHEREAS**, In her personal life, Lindley delighted in attending festivals and was a lifelong Louisiana State University fan; she was a source of strength and joy to her family and friends, and she cherished spending time with her beloved husband and their three beautiful children, Shaw, Tucker, and Loretta; and

**WHEREAS**, Lindley Dodson was a shining light of warmth and compassion to the many who were blessed to know her, and she will long be remembered with profound respect and admiration by all who were privileged to share in her life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Dr. Katherine Lindley Spaht Dodson; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lindley Dodson.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 9, 2021, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate