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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A life lived with joy and purpose drew to a close
2 with the passing of Sandra L. Williams Carothers of Tyler on
3 July 12, 2025, at the age of 79; and

4 WHEREAS, The former Sandra Williams was born to Donald and
5 Wilma Williams on February 18, 1946, in Columbus, Ohio; she
6 graduated from Euclid High School and earned an education degree
7 from The Ohio State University; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1968, she exchanged wedding vows with the love of
9 her life, Thomas Carothers, and they shared a fulfilling marriage
10 that spanned five and a half decades before his death in May 2024;
11 the couple raised four children, Thomas, Krista, Katherine, and
12 James, and they later welcomed three precious grandchildren into
13 their family; Mrs. Carothers loved bringing her grandchildren
14 together to play, read, and produce magic shows; and

15 WHEREAS, Mrs. Carothers and her family eventually moved to
16 Corpus Christi; there, she embarked on a rewarding career as a
17 first- and second-grade teacher at Wilma Magee Elementary School in
18 the Calallen Independent School District; over the course of her
19 20-year tenure, she fostered a supportive classroom environment,
20 and she took pride in teaching all of her students how to read;
21 engaged with school district activities, she worked the concession
22 stand at Calallen High School football games in support of the
23 marching band; and

24 WHEREAS, A woman of faith, Mrs. Carothers was a valued

1 congregant at Jackson Woods Presbyterian Church in Corpus Christi;
2 in retirement, she and her husband relocated to Clyde, Ohio, where
3 she served as an elder at the First Presbyterian Church; and

4 WHEREAS, Although Sandra Carothers will be deeply missed, she
5 has left her loved ones with a wealth of memories that they will
6 forever treasure; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature, 1st
8 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
9 Sandra L. Williams Carothers and extend heartfelt sympathy to the
10 members of her family: to her children and their spouses, Thomas
11 Carothers and Tadao Uchisawa, Krista Carothers and Jim Meddick,
12 Katherine and Jeremy McBain, and James and Catherine Carothers; to
13 her grandchildren, Jack Meddick, Malcolm McBain, and Colin McBain;
14 to her sister, Nancy Crane, and her husband, Bob; to her
15 sisters-in-law, Susan Carter and Connie Beeken; and to her other
16 relatives and friends; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for her family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this
19 day, it do so in memory of Sandra Carothers.