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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately convey the profound sense of  
2 loss felt by the family and friends of Lila James Bonner of Dallas,  
3 who passed away on July 4, 2025, at the age of nine; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on June 26, 2016, Lila Bonner was the cherished  
5 daughter of Blake and Caitlin Bonner, and she was an amazing role  
6 model for her two younger sisters, Scarlett and Wynn; her circle of  
7 love and support included her grandparents and her  
8 great-grandmother, and she attended Saint Michael and All Angels  
9 Episcopal Church with her family; and

10 WHEREAS, A proud Bronco at John S. Bradfield Elementary  
11 School, Lila effortlessly made friends, and she endeared herself to  
12 her classmates and teachers with her infectious sweetness and warm,  
13 heartfelt hugs; she discovered her natural talent for sports at the  
14 neighborhood YMCA, and she went on to excel as the goalie for the  
15 Highland Park Scots Club soccer team; she was also actively  
16 involved in piano and dance; and

17 WHEREAS, Lila loved animals, and she spent countless hours  
18 watching the television shows *Animal Rescue* and *Animal ER*,  
19 envisioning a future as a veterinarian; to honor her legacy, her  
20 family has established Lila's Light, a foundation that will support  
21 animal rescue; possessed of a kind and gentle spirit, Lila left an  
22 indelible mark on all who knew her, and her tragic passing in the  
23 Hill Country floods has inspired an outpouring of prayers and  
24 sympathy from the community at large; and

1           WHEREAS, Although her time on this earth was far too brief,  
2 Lila Bonner was a ray of light in the lives of those who held her  
3 dear, and they will forever treasure the abundant happiness that  
4 she brought to them; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
6 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory  
7 of Lila James Bonner and extend deepest condolences to the members  
8 of her family: to her parents, Blake and Caitlin Bonner; to her  
9 sisters, Scarlett and Wynn Bonner; to her grandparents, Blake and  
10 Kathy Bonner; to her great-grandmother, Lila Lynn Murphy; to her  
11 aunts and uncles, Monica and Newton Hopkins and Ashley and William  
12 Bonner; to her uncle, Will Christopher; to her aunt, Courtney  
13 Bonner; to her cousins, Rafe and Sims Hopkins and Baker Bonner; to  
14 her godparents; and to her many other relatives and friends; and, be  
15 it further

16          RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lila  
19 Bonner.