By: Bucy H.R. No. 356

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their
- 2 memories of Jennifer Joy Mattingly of Round Rock, who passed away on
- 3 August 31, 2024, at the age of 66; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of Dr. Joan Kitson Mattingly and Joseph
- 5 Francis Mattingly, Jennifer Mattingly was born in Louisville,
- 6 Kentucky, on June 7, 1958, and she grew up with the companionship of
- 7 two sisters, Janlyn and Jonna; after graduating early from
- 8 Wilbraham & Monson Academy in Massachusetts, she attended The
- 9 University of Texas at Austin and earned her bachelor's degree in
- 10 1979 and her law degree in 1982; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Ms. Mattingly started her own practice in northwest
- 12 Austin in 1983, and she specialized in estate law, business
- 13 formation, landlord/tenant law, real estate and leases, elder care,
- 14 and general contracts; active in her community, she served as
- 15 Williamson County Precinct 1 justice of the peace from 1988 to 1990,
- 16 and she became involved in the City of Hutto Planning and Zoning
- 17 Commission in 1991 and was chair from 2000 to 2004; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Ms. Mattingly was a lifelong supporter of the
- 19 Democratic Party and a staunch advocate for civil rights, equality,
- 20 justice, and women's rights; she held leadership positions within
- 21 numerous organizations, including the Williamson County Democratic
- 22 Party, which she served as county chair and precinct 482 chair; in
- 23 addition, she was among the honored guests at President Bill
- 24 Clinton's 1993 inauguration as a Texas delegate, and she most

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- 1 recently was a delegate to the 2024 Texas Democratic Convention;
- 2 and
- WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, Ms. Mattingly benefited
- 4 from the love and support of her husband, Craig Matthews, with whom
- 5 she shared a fulfilling relationship that spanned more than two and
- 6 a half decades, and her life was further enriched by her nephews,
- 7 Max, Jeremy, Kitson, and Jack, and her great-niece, Julianna; in
- 8 her leisure time, she enjoyed writing short stories, screenplays,
- 9 novels, and songs, as well as painting, bird-watching, and spending
- 10 time outdoors; and
- 11 WHEREAS, While the death of Jennifer Mattingly brings great
- 12 sadness to her family and friends, she leaves behind a legacy that
- 13 will long be treasured by all those who held her dear; now,
- 14 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 16 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Jennifer Joy
- 17 Mattingly and extend sincere condolences to her loved ones; and, be
- 18 it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jennifer
- 22 Mattingly.