

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends have suffered an immeasurable  
2 loss with the passing of Mary Ellen Spiller of Jacksboro on March 7,  
3 2022, at the age of 87; and

4           WHEREAS, The daughter of Guy and Lillian Hutson, the former  
5 Mary Hutson was born on October 5, 1934, in Grandfield, Oklahoma,  
6 and grew up with seven older siblings, Weldon, Harold, Raymond,  
7 Marie, Jerry, Jean, and Joyce; she graduated from Devol High School  
8 in Cotton County, Oklahoma, and continued her education at  
9 Draughon's Business College in Wichita Falls; and

10           WHEREAS, While living in Wichita Falls, she met her future  
11 husband, James Spiller, who was stationed at Sheppard Air Force  
12 Base; the couple married on August 18, 1956, and became the proud  
13 parents of three children, David, Karen, and Scott; as the years  
14 passed, Mrs. Spiller had the privilege of seeing her family grow to  
15 include six grandsons and three great-grandchildren; and

16           WHEREAS, Mrs. Spiller skillfully balanced family life with a  
17 rewarding career as her husband's legal secretary in his solo  
18 practice and at Spiller & Spiller in Jacksboro; she also worked for  
19 Spiller Title for six decades; and

20           WHEREAS, Sustained by a strong faith, Mrs. Spiller took an  
21 active role at First United Methodist Church, teaching Sunday  
22 school and singing with the choir; moreover, she was a valued member  
23 of the Business & Professional Women's Club of Jacksboro; and

24           WHEREAS, Admired for her kindness, her strength of character,

1 and her outgoing personality, Mary Spiller led a caring and  
2 purposeful life, and she will forever be a source of inspiration to  
3 those she leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Mary Ellen Spiller  
6 and extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her  
7 children, David Spiller and his wife, Ginger, and Karen Forbis and  
8 her husband, Chris; to her daughter-in-law, Laura Spiller; to her  
9 grandsons, Mason, Reid, Drew, and Kyle Spiller and Alex and Joel  
10 Forbis; to her great-grandchildren, John, Carson, and Caroline  
11 Spiller; and to her other relatives and friends; and, be it further

12         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mary Ellen  
15 Spiller.

Spiller

H.R. No. 7

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 7 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 8, 2023.

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Chief Clerk of the House