

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Kimble County lost an esteemed civic leader with the  
2 passing of Frederica Charlotte Burt Wyatt on October 31, 2021, at  
3 the age of 91; and

4           WHEREAS, The daughter of John Matt Burt Jr. and Bessie Lee  
5 Allsup Burt, the former Frederica Burt was born on a ranch near  
6 Telegraph in Kimble County on July 2, 1930, and grew up with four  
7 siblings, Andrew, Fane, Britton, and Margaret; she graduated from  
8 the Institute of Municipal Clerks at the University of North Texas  
9 and became a registered professional assessor and a member of the  
10 Board of Tax Professional Examiners; devoted to her family, she  
11 shared a fulfilling marriage with her husband, Chevis R. Wyatt,  
12 until his passing, and she was the proud mother of a daughter,  
13 Charlotte; and

14           WHEREAS, Mrs. Wyatt began her career as secretary-bookkeeper  
15 for the City of Junction; she was promoted to city secretary and  
16 went on to become the city's first female mayor; following one term,  
17 she returned to her job as city secretary; she further benefited her  
18 community in a host of other leadership roles, including president  
19 of the Junction Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, the American  
20 Legion Auxiliary No. 237, and the Hill Country City Secretaries  
21 Association; the first woman to join the Junction Rotary Club, she  
22 became its first female president, and she was named a Paul Harris  
23 Fellow; moreover, she was very involved in bicentennial and  
24 sesquicentennial celebrations; among other numerous accolades, she

1 was named the 1967 Mrs. Citizen, the 1985 Kimble County Citizen of  
2 the Year, and the 1987 Texas City Secretary of the Year, and the  
3 city designated July 16, 1994, as "Frederica Wyatt Day"; and

4       WHEREAS, When she retired after 39 years of public service,  
5 Mrs. Wyatt dedicated herself to researching the community's  
6 history and family genealogy; she was chair of the Kimble County  
7 Historical Commission and drafted the text for every historical  
8 marker in the county; in addition, she worked at the museum, oversaw  
9 the Junction City Cemetery, volunteered with the Cemetery Aid  
10 Society, and was a regent for the Daughters of the American  
11 Revolution; a talented writer, she completed a chronicle of local  
12 cemeteries and coauthored the book *Coke R. Stevenson: A Texas*  
13 *Legend*; she also wrote a weekly column, *Meanderings*, for the  
14 *Junction Eagle* and contributed to other newspapers and magazines as  
15 well; and

16       WHEREAS, Deeply committed to her family and her community,  
17 Frederica Wyatt made a meaningful difference in the lives of her  
18 loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and her contributions will be  
19 remembered and admired for years to come; now, therefore, be it

20       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Frederica Charlotte  
22 Burt Wyatt and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her  
23 passing; and, be it further

H.R. No. 920

1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
3 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Frederica  
4 Wyatt.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 920 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 14, 2023.

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Chief Clerk of the House