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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The passing of former Louise postmaster Evelyn 2

"Biddy" Moser on December 30, 2002, at the age of 84, deeply

saddened not only her family but also her many friends in the

community; and 4

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WHEREAS, A native Texan, she was born on April 14, 1918, in 5

Wharton County to Walter and Ella Appling Roome; she was an alumna

of Louise High School and attended classes at Wharton County Junior

College; and 8

WHEREAS, Mrs. Moser became a pioneer in women's professional 9

stock car racing in the 1950s; known to many as the "Speed Queen,"

she became such a frequent winner on the women's circuit that she

had to move to the men's circuit for a challenge; her affinity for

fast driving remained with her throughout her lifetime and prompted

a personalized license plate that read "MRS ZIP," though her

explanation was that the message was a reference to her lengthy

career with the United States Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, In 1951, she began working for the postal service as 17

a substitute route driver in Louise and went on to fill her

husband's position when he took another job in 1957; 12 years later,

she became officer in charge at the post office, and in 1971 she was

commissioned as postmaster and served in that capacity until her

22 1990 retirement; and

WHEREAS, A devotee of travel and fine dining, this intrepid 23

individual never stopped looking for a challenge; near the age of

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- 70, she bought a blue Honda and took motorcycle lessons with her grandson and son-in-law; while Mrs. Moser continued to discover new interests as she aged, her love of family and compassion for others were a constant in her life, as this nurturing lady was quick to respond when anyone needed help, even going so far as to put out cards for Louise residents to sign when someone in the community was
- 7 in the midst of a difficult time; and

- WHEREAS, The life of Biddy Moser was an immeasurable blessing
 to her family, her friends, and the citizens of Louise, and she will
 long be remembered for her passion for life, her spirit of
 adventure, and her kindness and sincerity; now, therefore, be it
 - RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Evelyn "Biddy" Moser and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her daughters, Bonnie Freeman and Laurel Clements and her husband, Albert; to her grandchildren, Kelly Marek, Christian, Andrew, C. J., Jessica, and James Clements, Olivia Garza, Angelica and Gabriella Sanchez, Scott Freeman, and Brittany Hollas; to her nine great-grandchildren; to her sisters, Dorothy York and Ruthie Yackel and her husband, Jesse; to her brother, Cecil Roome, and his wife, Robbie; to her special friend, Mike Rutt; and to all those who mourn the passing of this beloved woman; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Evelyn "Biddy" Moser.

Cook of Colorado

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 790 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 10, 2003.

Chief Clerk of the House