By: Cook of Colorado

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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 3 saddened not only her family but also her many friends in the 4 community; and

5 WHEREAS, A native Texan, she was born on April 14, 1918, in 6 Wharton County to Walter and Ella Appling Roome; she was an alumna 7 of Louise High School and attended classes at Wharton County Junior 8 College; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Moser became a pioneer in women's professional 9 stock car racing in the 1950s; known to many as the "Speed Queen," 10 11 she became such a frequent winner on the women's circuit that she 12 had to move to the men's circuit for a challenge; her affinity for fast driving remained with her throughout her lifetime and prompted 13 14 a personalized license plate that read "MRS ZIP," though her explanation was that the message was a reference to her lengthy 15 career with the United States Postal Service; and 16

WHEREAS, In 1951, she began working for the postal service as 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 1990 retirement; and

23 WHEREAS, A devotee of travel and fine dining, this intrepid 24 individual never stopped looking for a challenge; near the age of

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1 70, she bought a blue Honda and took motorcycle lessons with her 2 grandson and son-in-law; while Mrs. Moser continued to discover new 3 interests as she aged, her love of family and compassion for others 4 were a constant in her life, as this nurturing lady was quick to 5 respond when anyone needed help, even going so far as to put out 6 cards for Louise residents to sign when someone in the community was 7 in the midst of a difficult time; and

8 WHEREAS, The life of Biddy Moser was an immeasurable blessing 9 to her family, her friends, and the citizens of Louise, and she will 10 long be remembered for her passion for life, her spirit of 11 adventure, and her kindness and sincerity; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Evelyn "Biddy" Moser 13 14 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her 15 daughters, Bonnie Freeman and Laurel Clements and her husband, Albert; to her grandchildren, Kelly Marek, Christian, Andrew, 16 17 C. J., Jessica, and James Clements, Olivia Garza, Angelica and Gabriella Sanchez, Scott Freeman, and Brittany Hollas; to her nine 18 great-grandchildren; to her sisters, Dorothy York and Ruthie Yackel 19 and her husband, Jesse; to her brother, Cecil Roome, and his wife, 20 21 Robbie; to her special friend, Mike Rutt; and to all those who mourn the passing of this beloved woman; and, be it further 22

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.

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