

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Residents of Boerne lost a beloved neighbor and  
2 friend with the passing of Elvira Hodge on January 21, 2003; and

3           WHEREAS, A native Texan, Mrs. Hodge was born in Navarro  
4 County on September 21, 1938, to Dennie and Annie Mae Allen Kelley;  
5 she married Ben Andrew Sheffield, Sr., and the couple enjoyed a  
6 rewarding marriage until his passing in 1970; and

7           WHEREAS, Fortunate to find love again, this esteemed woman  
8 wed Sheriff Henry B. Hodge on October 24, 1974; she was a devoted  
9 homemaker throughout the couple's 28-year marriage; and

10           WHEREAS, Elvira Hodge was a woman of integrity and  
11 compassion, and while she will be greatly missed, her memory will  
12 live on in the hearts and minds of the many people whose lives she  
13 touched; now, therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Elvira Hodge and  
16 extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her loving  
17 husband, Henry B. Hodge; to her sons, Henry Lawrence Kelley and Ben  
18 Sheffield, Jr.; to her daughters, Evelyn Annett Sheffield, Beverly  
19 Renee Sheffield, Wanda Marie Mays, Loita Williams, and Ehrikka  
20 Dionne Hodge; to her mother, Annie Mae Kelley; to her brothers,  
21 Burnice Auto, Pernell, Arthur Dean, Leslie, and Thomas Willie  
22 Kelley and Christopher Smith; to her sisters, Annie Pearl Hatley,  
23 Betty Jo Williams, Carolyn Zollifoffer, Elsie Kelley, and Frances  
24 V. Sheffield; to her grandchildren, Shannon, Lashonia, Jeremy,

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1 Shaneka, Brittany, Kendra, Derrick, Baileigh, and Ben; to her  
2 great-grandchild, Jordan; and to her other relatives and many  
3 friends; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
5 prepared for Mrs. Hodge's family and that when the Texas House of  
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Elvira  
7 Hodge.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 846 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 23, 2003.

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Chief Clerk of the House