

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 21

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to Mary Ruth McAngus Jackson on the grand occasion of her 90th birthday; and

WHEREAS, This gracious lady is well known for her charm and generosity of spirit, and she is a revered resident of Austin; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ruth was born July 3, 1915, in Austin, and she and her family lived above their livelihood, a grocery store they owned that was located on the corner of 7th and Trinity Streets; she graduated from The University of Texas in 1936 and began working for the university; and

WHEREAS, She married Laurence Jackson in 1938; the couple were blessed with three children; her indomitable spirit sustained her family when Laurence died and left her with two teenaged children and a five-year-old to raise; Mary Ruth put aside her own needs to nurture her children, making sure that they all graduated from college; and

WHEREAS, After her children were raised, she worked as head of volunteer services at Austin State School; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian, Mary Ruth demonstrates her faith in her daily life; she is a longstanding member of University Avenue Church of Christ, where she has helped cook and serve meals for the homeless since her retirement; and

WHEREAS, Her enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest enriches everyone who knows Mary Ruth, and her 90th birthday is surely an appropriate occasion to celebrate her full life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby recognize Mary Ruth McAngus Jackson as a treasured citizen of Austin and the State of Texas; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as a memento of this special day.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 29, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate