

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Lucille McLaughlin of Alpine and Port
2 Lavaca on June 19, 2005, at the age of 88, has left behind a host of
3 loved ones who treasure the richness she brought to their lives; and

4 WHEREAS, Born Lucille Edna Shay on July 7, 1916, in Syracuse,
5 New York, Mrs. McLaughlin grew up in a close-knit family with the
6 companionship of a brother, Martin, and two sisters, Pauline and
7 Gloria; after graduating from high school, she attended a business
8 school in her hometown and then worked as a secretary, first for a
9 local merchant and later on a naval base in Bermuda; and

10 WHEREAS, In 1942, Mrs. McLaughlin took a cross-country train
11 trip from New York to Seattle, Washington, to exchange wedding vows
12 with Chief Petty Officer Frank Raymond "Ray" McLaughlin on October
13 26, while the groom was on a brief leave from his assignment in the
14 Aleutian Islands; the couple enjoyed a loving marriage for nearly
15 six decades, until Mr. McLaughlin's passing in 2001; and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. McLaughlin took great satisfaction in her roles
17 as a devoted wife and as the mother of two treasured children, and
18 her life was further enriched with the arrival of four
19 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. McLaughlin's military career took the family to
21 various posts within the United States and overseas; following
22 retirement, the couple continued their journeys, visiting nearly
23 every continent in the course of either vacationing or attending
24 conventions of Lions International; and

1 WHEREAS, After moving from Florida to Alpine in 1975, the
2 McLaughlins became active residents of that West Texas community;
3 they were among the founding congregants of Holy Cross Anglican
4 Church, where Mrs. McLaughlin shared her time and talents as a
5 member of the altar guild; and

6 WHEREAS, The pair were also leaders of Lions District 2-T3;
7 Mrs. McLaughlin served as First Lady of the district while her
8 husband held the office of district governor in 1981-1982, and she
9 later served as First Lady of the Texas Lions Camp, a facility for
10 ill and disabled children, during Mr. McLaughlin's tenure as camp
11 president in 1989-1990; in addition, Mrs. McLaughlin held the
12 distinction of being the first female member of the Alpine Noon
13 Lions Club; and

14 WHEREAS, In 2001, Mrs. McLaughlin relocated to Port Lavaca to
15 be closer to her children; throughout her life, this admired
16 individual was an avid gardener and traveler who took pleasure in
17 bird watching, enjoyed good food, and won the hearts of all who knew
18 her; and

19 WHEREAS, Though she is sorely missed, the memory of Lucille
20 McLaughlin's many kindnesses and warm and generous nature will long
21 be cherished by those who were fortunate to share in her love and
22 affection; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay special tribute to the
25 life of Lucille Edna McLaughlin and extend sincere sympathy to the
26 members of her family: to her daughter, Gloria McLaughlin; to her
27 son, Douglas McLaughlin, and his wife, Mary; to her grandchildren

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1 and great-grandchildren; to her sister and brother-in-law, Gloria
2 and Robert Garrity; and to all who mourn the passing of this beloved
3 woman; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Lucille
7 Edna McLaughlin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 149 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on August 8, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House