H.R. No. 45

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life has come to an end with the
- 2 passing of Anna Elisabeth Strohacker of Kerrville at the age of 85;
- 3 and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of W. A. "Bill" and Mabel Sullivan,
- 5 Mrs. Strohacker was born on June 15, 1920, in Billings, Montana, and
- 6 raised in Kerrville, where she grew up with the companionship of a
- 7 brother and three sisters; and
- 8 WHEREAS, An alumna of Tivy High School, she attended
- 9 Schreiner Institute and held several secretarial posts before
- 10 becoming chief clerk for the Kerr County Ration Board; while
- 11 serving in that capacity in 1943, Miss Sullivan met and married
- 12 local rancher Louis G. Strohacker; the bride was joyfully embraced
- 13 by her new in-laws and worked alongside her husband in the family
- 14 ranching and farming enterprise, a challenging life Mrs. Strohacker
- 15 found exceptionally rewarding; and
- WHEREAS, Long active in her community, this esteemed Texan
- 17 was a valued member of the First Presbyterian Church, Kerr County
- 18 Historical Commission, Home Demonstration Club, and Turtle Creek
- 19 Sewing Club, as well as a charter member of the Hill Country Chapter
- 20 of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association Auxiliary
- 21 Committee; and
- WHEREAS, Betty Strohacker became the first woman to serve on
- the board of the Upper Guadalupe River Authority when Governor Bill
- 24 Clements appointed her to that body in 1981, and she subsequently

- 1 served two terms as board president; and
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Strohacker also worked diligently in behalf of
- 3 the Republican Party, holding primary elections in her home and
- 4 playing a vital role in the Republican Women of Kerr County, which
- 5 named her Republican Woman of the Year in 2002; that same year, she
- 6 was honored by the Texas Federation of Republican Women at the
- 7 party's state convention; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Over the course of many years, Betty Strohacker made
- 9 immeasurable contributions to the betterment of her community and
- 10 the Lone Star State, and her memory will forever light the hearts of
- 11 those who treasured her love and friendship; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 13 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 14 Anna Elisabeth "Betty" Strohacker and extend sincere sympathy to
- 15 the members of her family: to her children, Louis W. Strohacker, Joy
- 16 S. Chesnutt, and Oscar C. Strohacker; to her grandchildren, Malcolm
- 17 L. Chesnutt, Richard C. Strohacker, Sarah F. Strohacker, Rebecca
- 18 Ann "Becky" Strohacker, and Miriam Elisabeth "Lisa" Strohacker; to
- 19 her great-grandchildren, Brooke and Emily Chesnutt; to her sisters,
- 20 Dr. Margaret Patricia Sullivan, Cornelia Garrison, and Sarah Louise
- 21 Thorp and her husband, Murph; to her sister-in-law, Nancy Sullivan;
- 22 and to her other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 24 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 25 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Anna
- 26 Elisabeth "Betty" Strohacker.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 45 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 27, 2006.

Chief Clerk of the House