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H.R. No. 330

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Citizens of Grand Prairie are mourning the death of
2 beloved local businesswoman Rebecca Eddlemon, who passed away on
3 March 31, 2006, at the age of 89; and

4 WHEREAS, Born and raised in Cedar Hill, Mrs. Eddlemon
5 attended Lancaster schools before meeting her husband, Oscar
6 Eddlemon, on a blind date; the couple married in 1939, and in 1953,
7 they moved to Grand Prairie, where they bought a drive-in grocery
8 store owned by Mr. Eddlemon's brother; over the years,
9 Mrs. Eddlemon shared her warmth and kindness with countless
10 customers, many of whom became friends, and she was known for always
11 seeing the good in people; though her sons took over the business
12 some years ago, Mrs. Eddlemon continued to help out each day in the
13 store, sitting on a stool near the register; and

14 WHEREAS, A charter member of the Spade and Shovel Garden
15 Club, Mrs. Eddlemon also served as an election judge for her
16 community for more than a decade and helped initiate the city's
17 first YMCA membership drive; and

18 WHEREAS, She attended Inglewood Baptist Church until the
19 death of her husband, when she began watching televised services,
20 rather than sit in the pew without him; and

21 WHEREAS, Rebecca Eddlemon was a woman of rare compassion and
22 strength, and an inspiration to those who shared in the richness of
23 her friendship; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

1 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
2 Rebecca Eddlemon and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her
3 family: to her sons, David Eddlemon and his wife, Diane Plattner
4 Eddlemon, Joe Eddlemon, and Johnny Eddlemon and his wife, Karen
5 Hale Eddlemon; to her grandchildren; and to her other relatives and
6 many friends; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Rebecca
10 Eddlemon.