SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 238

In Memory of Eulalia De Leon

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Corpus Christi in mourning the loss of longtime community volunteer Eulalia "Lala" De Leon, who died May 8, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Eulalia De Leon was born in Kingsville to Tomas and Carmen Morris Lozano; she grew up in Falfurrias and earned an associate's degree in business in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, Eulalia moved to Corpus Christi in 1955 when she married Jose R. De Leon, Jr., a local businessman and rancher; over the years, the couple contributed significantly to the growth and community spirit of the city; and

WHEREAS, They owned several pharmacies and had a wide range of other business interests; they were partners in the Corpus Christi Greyhound Race Track and in the first Spanish television station in the city; and

WHEREAS, Noted for her elegance and charm, Lala De Leon was a gracious hostess who opened her home to many civic, educational, and social organizations; she was active in Los Sembradores de Amistad, the Texas Pharmacy Association Auxiliary, the Art Museum of South Texas Auxiliary, and the Pan American Round Table; Lala was a devout parishioner of Saint Pius X Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, A woman of uncommon grace and generosity, Lala De Leon enriched the lives of all who knew her with her love and compassion, her warmth and kindness, and her enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, Lala was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Eulalia De Leon: her husband, Jose R. De Leon, Jr.; her son, Joseph Daniel De Leon; her daughter and son-in-law, Annette and John Hernandez; and her five grandchildren, John Edward, Michael, and Kara Hernandez and Danielle and Jessica De Leon; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Eulalia De Leon.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 14, 2006, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate