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H.R. No. 605

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The certain knowledge of a life well lived may
2 temper the profound sadness that the passing of Roxie Bess Brockman
3 Bradley of Del Rio on January 21, 2005, brings to all who knew her;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Born on June 26, 1918, in Estancia, New Mexico, Mrs.
6 Bradley graduated from the Abilene Christian Academy and worked
7 with the handicapped children's program at Garfield Elementary
8 School; she served with distinction at the helm of the Val Verde
9 County Library for more than 35 years, and during that time she was
10 instrumental in the construction of a new library, which opened on
11 July 1, 1965; and

12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bradley was a well-known and much-loved member
13 of the community; a member of the Central Church of Christ, she
14 served on the first board of trustees of the Pan American Round
15 Table, the first poverty board, and the first Senior Citizen
16 Commission; Mrs. Bradley also was active with the Val Verde
17 Historical Commission, the Council of the Arts, the Mignonette
18 Garden Club, Del Rio Music Club, Del Rio Study Club, the Paul Poag
19 Theatre for the Performing Arts, and the Friends of the Library; and

20 WHEREAS, In addition to receiving the adulation of her fellow
21 citizens, Mrs. Bradley earned the coveted Dorothy Canfield Fisher
22 Award in 1962, one of only 10 such awards conferred in the entire
23 nation; she also was voted the Most Notable Woman of the Year in
24 1982 by the American Association of University Women; and

1 WHEREAS, A widely respected woman who was a role model for
2 countless area residents, young and old, she leaves a legacy of love
3 and encouragement that will continue to have a positive effect
4 through many generations; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Bess Bradley and
7 extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her son,
8 Jimmy Frank Bradley and his wife, Nena; to her daughter, Rebecca Ann
9 Bradley and her husband, Hermilo Valdez; to her grandchildren,
10 Brandon Bradley and his wife, Kris, Monica Bradley Stanley and her
11 husband, Matthew, Deborah Ann Bradley, Bradley Don Quinn, Shane
12 Quinn and his wife, Cathy, and Natalie Garcia and her husband,
13 Hector; to her brothers, Byrl Brockman, Clifton Brockman, Joe
14 Brockman and his wife, Mary Dean, Don Brockman and his wife, Bonna,
15 and David Brockman and his wife, Ethel; to her sister, Imogene and
16 her husband, Bill Carter; to her 11 great-grandchildren; and to her
17 other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
20 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Roxie Bess
21 Brockman Bradley.