By: Gallego H.R. No. 1151

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The certain knowledge of a life well lived may 2 temper the profound sadness that the passing of Maria Belia Gordon 3 brings to all who treasured her love and friendship; and

WHEREAS, A native Texan and lifelong resident of Alpine, Mrs.

Gordon was born on October 28, 1932, to Jose and Michaela Martinez,

6 and passed from this life on February 4, 2005; and

WHEREAS, She deeply cared for her family, including her husband, Lewis B., and their eight children; through the years,

this respected matriarch happily welcomed two more generations of

descendants into her close-knit family; and

fortunate enough to have known her; now, therefore, be it

WHEREAS, The heart of a circle of loved ones, Maria Belia Gordon was a blessing in the lives of countless individuals, and the memory of her devotion will long be held in the hearts of those

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Maria Belia Gordon and extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to her husband, Lewis B. Gordon; to her children, Rita, Jessica, Donna, and Rudy Gordon, Ramona Gordon-Moore, Lupe Rodriguez, Lorina Klingemann, and Michael Martinez; to her 14 grandchildren; to her

six great-grandchildren; to her nieces and nephews; and to all who

22 mourn the passing of this cherished woman; 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

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- 1 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Maria Belia
- 2 Gordon.