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H.R. No. 1614

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 Tenie Mulvey
3 Braniff of Houston on April 20, 2005, brings to all who knew and
4 loved her; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on July 5, 1916, Mrs. Braniff graduated from
6 St. Agnes Academy in 1934, and her religious education had a lasting
7 and profound impact on her; a tireless volunteer, she earned
8 numerous accolades for her charitable works, including the Pro
9 Ecclesia ET Pontificae Medal from Pope John Paul II, which is the
10 highest honor possible for a layperson in the Catholic Church; in
11 addition, she held the honor of Lady Grand Cross in the Equestrian
12 Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and received the Silver
13 Palm of Jerusalem as well as the Distinguished Emeritus Award for
14 her service to the Charity Guild of Catholic Women of Houston; and

15 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mrs. Braniff made myriad significant
16 contributions to her community as an active member of the
17 Theresians/5th Dimension, Charity Guild of Catholic Women, St.
18 Joseph Hospital Guild, St. Agnes Academy Alumni Association, St.
19 Thomas High School Tom's Moms, St. Thomas University Chapel Guild,
20 and the Catholic Daughters of the Americas; and

21 WHEREAS, The former Tenie Mulvey married James Joseph
22 Braniff, Jr., in 1938, and they shared 44 years of happy times and
23 cherished family moments before his passing in 1982; and

24 WHEREAS, Although she will be deeply missed, her memory will

1 be forever cherished by those who were blessed to share in the
2 warmth of her love; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Tenie Mulvey Braniff
5 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her
6 children, Danny Braniff, James J. Braniff III and his wife, Marsha,
7 John R. Braniff and his wife, Martha, Tenie R. Braniff, Thomas M.
8 Braniff and his wife, Wendall, and Sister Ginny Braniff; to her
9 grandchildren, David McDavid, Jr., and his wife, Kim, James J.
10 McDavid and his wife, Kim, Beth Braniff Harp and her husband, Mike,
11 G. Micheal Thompson, Jr., and his wife, Libbe, John R. Braniff, Jr.,
12 and his wife, Melissa, Sheri Anne Dyer and her husband, Steve, James
13 J. Braniff IV and his wife, Shannon, Farrah Braniff Charnquist and
14 her husband, Steven, Claude G. Rives V and his wife, Reagan, Blakely
15 N. Braniff and her husband, Chris Koutouzakis, T. Rhett Braniff,
16 and Christopher G. Rives and his wife, Brooke; to her
17 great-grandchildren; to her sister, Eleanor Mulvey Robb; to her
18 sister-in-law, Margie B. Mulvey; and to her many other relatives
19 and friends; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Tenie
23 Mulvey Braniff.