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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, With the death of Helene LeMay Burk on May 3, 2005, at the age of 70, the residents of Junction and Kimble County have lost a dear friend and esteemed civic leader; and WHEREAS, Born in New Haven, Connecticut, on August 15, 1934,

WHEREAS, Born in New Haven, Connecticut, on August 15, 1934, Mrs. Burk lived in San Angelo for 25 years before moving to Dallas in 1985; a resident of Junction since 1989, she served as executive vice president of the Kimble County Chamber of Commerce for the past 14 years, more than tripling its membership roster and involving herself with a host of local organizations and events; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of her generosity of spirit, Mrs. Burk was the first non-native to be named Kimble County Citizen of the Year in 1995; her myriad good works were accomplished through affiliations with such groups as the Lions Club, Friends of the Library, the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Concho Valley Council of Governments, Meals on Wheels, the Red Hat Society, and the Back Street Players, to name but a few; and

WHEREAS, Helene Burk gathered friends everywhere she went, and her circle of loved ones included many residents of Kimble and Tom Green Counties; in addition to her work and public service endeavors, she played bridge, kayaked, and was an avid traveler who cruised in the Caribbean this past February, and previously explored Brazil, Bermuda, Africa, China, Russia, New Zealand, Greece, Australia, the Holy Land, Europe, Canada, and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, A blessing in the lives of many, Helene Burk will

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- 1 long be held in the hearts of those fortunate enough to have
- 2 experienced her ability to make everyone feel special and to feel
- 3 the warmth of her irresistible smile; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Helene LeMay Burk and
- 6 extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her
- 7 children, Sherry and Bruce Hubbard, Tom and Jeannie Sullivan, and
- 8 John Sullivan; to her grandchildren and their spouses, Dr. Jason
- 9 Hubbard and his wife, Sharon, Shawn Sullivan, Heather and Cody
- 10 Tiftickjian, Trey and Kaycie Sullivan, Crystal Cook, Canyon
- 11 Sullivan, and Travis Sullivan; to her great-granddaughter, Taryn
- 12 Tiftickjian; to her brothers, Gilbert and Joseph LeMay; to her
- 13 sisters and brothers-in-law, Betty and Carl Hall and Rose Marie and
- 14 Don Williams; and to all who mourn her passing; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Helene
- 18 LeMay Burk.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1714 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 25, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House