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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, With the death of Helene LeMay Burk on May 3, 2005,  
2 at the age of 70, the residents of Junction and Kimble County have  
3 lost a dear friend and esteemed civic leader; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in New Haven, Connecticut, on August 15, 1934,  
5 Mrs. Burk lived in San Angelo for 25 years before moving to Dallas  
6 in 1985; a resident of Junction since 1989, she served as executive  
7 vice president of the Kimble County Chamber of Commerce for the past  
8 14 years, more than tripling its membership roster and involving  
9 herself with a host of local organizations and events; and

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

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

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

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.