

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 208

In Memory
of
Mary Garza Guerra

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Corpus Christi in mourning the loss of Mary Garza Guerra, who died November 7, 2004, at the age of 84; and

WHEREAS, Mary was born on September 23, 1920, in Corpus Christi to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Garza, Sr.; her father was the founder of the League of United Latin American Citizens, and like her father, Mary remained active in that organization and in community affairs throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, In the 1930s, she worked for the Nueces County tax office at a time when most women did not work; she was married to the late John C. Guerra, who shared her dedication to community service; she was preceded in death by her loving brother, Robert Garza; and

WHEREAS, Mary was well known for reaching out to people who had few opportunities, and she was devoted to her family, her church, and her work with the League of United Latin American Citizens; and

WHEREAS, Recognized as a young woman for her stunning beauty, Mary was adored throughout her life, and she enriched the lives of all who knew her with her love and compassion, her warmth and kindness, and her wonderful sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, She was a devoted mother and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Mary Garza Guerra: her daughter, C. A. Serrano; her sons, John Charles Guerra and Robert "Tony" Guerra; her brothers, Ben Garza, Jr., and Joe Garza; her sister, Lydia Delgado; and her eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mary Guerra.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 22, 2005, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate