## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 294

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Jerlene Rhodes-Burleson on the grand occasion of her 80th birthday on March 5, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Jerlene was born on March 5, 1925; she is a veteran of the United States Army and is a respected member of her community in Houston; she was married to the late Rufus Burleson, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Jerlene is the much beloved mother of 14 children, and she has been blessed with 40 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, Jerlene is noted for her engaging personality and for her courage and compassion for others; and

WHEREAS, She is admired by all who know her for her charm, her generosity of spirit, and her enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby congratulate Jerlene Rhodes-Burleson on her 80th birthday and extend to her best wishes for the future; and, be it further

 ${\tt RESOLVED}$  , That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as a memento of this milestone in her life.

Whitmire

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate