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H.C.R. No. 267

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Emma Louise Stengel Bean died on May 16, 2007,
2 leaving her circle of family and friends to cherish their many
3 treasured memories of time spent in her company; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Mason on July 18, 1913, the former "Dixie"
5 Stengel came from a pioneer ranching family; she graduated from
6 Menard High School in 1930 and attended Texas Woman's University in
7 Denton and The University of Texas at Austin, where she majored in
8 music; and

9 WHEREAS, After returning to Menard, she married Rodgers
10 Maxwell "Jelly" Bean on June 6, 1935; they enjoyed nearly 40 years
11 together, until his death in 1973, and they were blessed with three
12 children; and

13 WHEREAS, A vital woman full of energy, Dixie Bean managed the
14 family's commercial real estate business for 32 years after Mr.
15 Bean's death; in her leisure time, she loved traveling around the
16 world and playing bridge with friends; a gifted musician, she
17 played the piano and organ for more than 70 years at First United
18 Methodist Church and also taught piano; in addition, Mrs. Bean was a
19 member of the Excelsior Study Club and a charter member of the
20 Menard Country Club; and

21 WHEREAS, A devoted wife and caring mother and grandmother,
22 Dixie Bean touched the lives of countless individuals during her 93
23 years, and she will be deeply missed; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas

1 hereby pay tribute to the life of Emma Louise Stengel Bean and offer
2 condolences to the members of her family: to her children, Gwen
3 Swindall and her husband, Banner, George Bean, and Robert Bean and
4 his wife, Nancy; to her grandchildren, John Hofmann and his wife,
5 Shannon, Suzanne Erickson and her husband, Stephen, Jordan Bean and
6 his wife, Adrian, Lauren Bean, and Craig Bean; to her
7 great-grandchildren, Grant, Emma Jane, and Rhett Hofmann, John and
8 David Erickson, and Preston Bean; to her sister, Grace Thompson,
9 and her sister-in-law, Mary "Tootsie" Stengel; and to her other
10 relatives and friends; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
13 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
14 Dixie Bean.