By: Gallego H.R. No. 875

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Iona Vasbinder of Del Rio passed away on October 8, 1 2

2006, leaving her circle of family and friends with many happy

memories of time spent in her company; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vasbinder was born on January 7, 1914, 4

Soper, Oklahoma; a resident of Del Rio since 1929, she worked as a

study advisor with the local school district and became active in

the PTA, which she served as 6th District president; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Vasbinder's desire to help others extended 8

beyond the public school arena; she held leadership positions with

the Val Verde Tuberculosis Association and the National Foundation

11 for Polio and Birth Defects, and was appointed to the Governor's

Task Force for Mental Health; she was a member of the First

Presbyterian Church and served as president of the women of the

14 church; and

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WHEREAS, Passionate about her political beliefs, she shared 15

her dedication and vision with the Democratic Party and held the 16

position of Val Verde County Democratic chair; and 17

WHEREAS, Iona Vasbinder was beloved for her great strength of 18

character and generous spirit; she exemplified the qualities of 19

leadership that foster strong, caring communities, and she will

21 long be remembered with warm affection for the causes she

22 championed and the lives she enriched; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 23

Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Iona Vasbinder and

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- 1 extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to her
- 2 children, Mitzi Vasbinder, Gary Vasbinder, Cherill Koog, and Helen
- 3 "Bunny" Whealton; to her grandchildren, Jay Koog, Joel Koog, Theron
- 4 Vasbinder, Amy Moore, Nicole Beaman, and Kristin Jeffery; to her 13
- 5 great-grandchildren; and to her other relatives and many friends;
- 6 and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 9 Representatives adjourns this day it do so in memory of Iona
- 10 Vasbinder.