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H.R. No. 1536

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The community of Bastrop was deeply saddened by the  
2 loss of lifelong resident Nancy Lee Sanders, who passed away on  
3 March 11, 2007; and

4           WHEREAS, A sixth generation Texan, Mrs. Sanders was born in  
5 1926 to Johnny and Lillian Dawson Waugh; as a young girl, she and  
6 her brother, Billy, worked at the Tower Theater, known to the locals  
7 as "the picture show," where she ran the ticket booth and he  
8 operated the projector; and

9           WHEREAS, She graduated from Bastrop High School in 1943 and  
10 on June 10, 1947, she married A. A. "Sugar" Sanders, with whom she  
11 shared 52 wonderful years before his passing; the couple owned and  
12 operated a number of local businesses through the years, including  
13 convenience stores and restaurants, which Mrs. Sanders would open  
14 at dawn to serve the ranchers their first cups of coffee and Mr.  
15 Sanders would close after the last patrons had finished their  
16 dinner; and

17           WHEREAS, Mrs. Sanders was also a familiar face around town as  
18 the beloved owner of Nancy's Card and Gift Store, a business that  
19 has served Bastrop residents for nearly 30 years; and

20           WHEREAS, In her leisure time, she was active in St.  
21 Margaret's Guild of Calvary Episcopal Church, the Bastrop Harmony  
22 Club, the Bastrop Chamber of Commerce, and the Downtown Merchants  
23 Association and was a proud "Yellow Dog" Democrat; and

24           WHEREAS, A devoted wife and mother of five, Mrs. Sanders

1 instilled in her children a strong work ethic, Christian values,  
2 respect for education, and compassion for others; known for her  
3 sense of humor, she enjoyed reading, dancing, and good music; and

4 WHEREAS, Having played a significant role in the lives of her  
5 fellow Bastrop residents for more than eight decades, this  
6 distinguished Texan has become a treasured part of the town's  
7 heritage, and she will not soon be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Nancy Lee Sanders and  
10 extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to her  
11 children, Suzanne Sanders, Ed Sanders and his wife, Jane, Johnny  
12 Sanders and his wife, Shawnda, Cynthia Cannon, and Michele Sanders;  
13 to her grandchildren, Tracy Sanders Orozco, Darron Sanders, Lindsay  
14 Sanders, Connley Cannon, and Morgan Sanders; to her great-grandson,  
15 C. J. Cannon; to her brother, Billy D. Waugh; and to her other  
16 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Nancy Lee  
20 Sanders.