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H.R. No. 2115

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with many joyful moments
2 and meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and friends
3 of Loraine Beatrice Sprott Whittier of San Antonio, who passed away
4 on January 30, 2007, at the age of 93; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of the Lone Star State, Mrs. Whittier was
6 born and raised in Beaumont; she earned her bachelor's degree from
7 Prairie View A&M University and went on to pursue graduate studies
8 at St. Mary's University and the University of Wisconsin; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whittier dedicated her life to education; this
10 respected teacher introduced the pleasures of learning to
11 generations of students at Dorie Miller Elementary School and
12 Hillcrest Elementary School in San Antonio; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to her professional career, Mrs.
14 Whittier immersed herself in volunteer work; a valued member of the
15 National Council of Negro Women, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and
16 Jack & Jill of America, she further gave of her time to programs
17 that worked to meet the needs of the less fortunate; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whittier was also devoted to her family; she
19 enjoyed many years with her husband, Dr. Oncy Melvin Whittier,
20 before his passing in 1981, and she was a constant source of
21 strength to her three children and four grandchildren; and

22 WHEREAS, Truly engaged in her community, Loraine Whittier
23 made it her mission to serve others, and her work as an educator and
24 as a civic leader demonstrated her exceptional generosity and

1 warmth; she will be deeply missed by all those who were privileged
2 to know her, and she will long be remembered for the many
3 contributions she made to her students and to her fellow Texans;
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Loraine Beatrice
7 Sprott Whittier and extend deepest sympathy to the members of her
8 family: to her children, Cheryl L. Streeter, Julius E. Whittier,
9 and Mildred E. Whittier; to her grandson and three granddaughters;
10 to her brother, Oliver Sprott; to her sister, Myrtle Deplanter; and
11 to her other relatives and friends; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Loraine
15 Beatrice Sprott Whittier.