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H.R. No. 2120

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful moments and
2 meaningful accomplishments may comfort the family and friends of
3 John Etta Brent Slaughter of San Antonio, who passed away on August
4 30, 2006; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on November 3, 1929, this Beaumont native
6 graduated from I. M. Terrell High School in Fort Worth and went on
7 to attend the prestigious Howard University, where she earned her
8 bachelor's and master's degrees; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Slaughter dedicated her life to education; she
10 taught in the San Antonio Independent School District for 11 years
11 and subsequently embarked on a distinguished career at St. Philip's
12 College, where she served as history professor and chair of the
13 social sciences department; under her able leadership, the
14 institution developed programs and projects in the humanities,
15 urban studies, geography, and world civilization studies; and

16 WHEREAS, Selected as president of the Faculty Senate and
17 chair of the Black Heritage Committee, Mrs. Slaughter sponsored
18 numerous cultural activities on campus; her outstanding efforts at
19 St. Philip's earned her the Master Teacher Award from the National
20 Institute for Staff and Organizational Development and the
21 Teacher's Excellence Award from both The University of Texas and
22 St. Philip's College; and

23 WHEREAS, In addition to her professional career, Mrs.
24 Slaughter immersed herself in volunteer work, holding leadership

1 positions with such organizations as the San Antonio Alumnae
2 Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Boys and Girls Club of
3 San Antonio, Pals Club, San Antonio NAACP, and the Progressive
4 Women's Club; and

5 WHEREAS, She further served her fellow citizens through her
6 work on a number of county and state boards, including the Bexar
7 County Historical Commission and the Psychological Associate
8 Advisory Committee to the Texas State Board of Examiners of
9 Psychologists; and

10 WHEREAS, Truly engaged in her community, John Etta Slaughter
11 made it her mission to serve others, and her work as an educator and
12 as a civic leader demonstrated her exceptional generosity, warmth,
13 and passion for excellence; she will be deeply missed by all those
14 who were privileged to know her, and she will long be remembered for
15 the extraordinary contributions she made to the Alamo City; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
18 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of John Etta
19 Brent Slaughter and extend deepest sympathy to the members of her
20 family: to her husband of 54 years, Murray Slaughter; to her
21 daughters, Jo Anne Slaughter Brunson and her husband, Colonel
22 (Retired) Albert Brunson, and Beverly Slaughter Ross and her
23 husband, the Honorable Maurice Ross; to her grandchildren, Captain
24 Jordan Brunson, D.D.S., Evan Brunson, Brent Brunson, Jeffrey Ross,
25 and Kimberly Ross; to her nephew, Roy Gray; and to her other
26 relatives and many friends and admirers; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of John Etta
3 Brent Slaughter.