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H.R. No. 2408

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Mary Margaret Hughes of Houston on
2 April 9, 2007, has deeply saddened her family and friends, yet the
3 memory of her full and rewarding life remains to comfort them in
4 their time of loss; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in 1910 in Natick, Massachusetts, Mary Hughes
6 graduated from high school in 1927 and earned her teaching
7 certificate from Framingham Normal School in 1929; after working as
8 a substitute teacher in the Natick area, she was employed at the
9 Mary Gilson School, where she taught first and second grades in a
10 two-room schoolhouse; she met her future husband, Charles Anthony
11 Hughes, Sr., at a dance; they were wed in 1937, and they moved to
12 Houston in 1949; a devoted wife and mother, she raised 13 children
13 with her husband; and

14 WHEREAS, Known for her interest in the history of her adopted
15 home state, Mary Hughes was an active member of the Texas State
16 Historical Society; in 1999, her children established the Mary M.
17 Hughes Research Fellowship in Texas History in honor of her 89th
18 birthday and her 50th year as a resident of the Lone Star State; in
19 addition, a scholarship was created in her name at Canisius High
20 School in Buffalo, New York; and

21 WHEREAS, Mary Hughes was an active and vital woman who took
22 great joy in traveling to Alaska, Hawaii, and other destinations,
23 reading, and following sports; her long and fruitful life was an
24 inspiration to her family and to the many friends she made through

1 the years, and she will be fondly remembered and deeply missed; now,
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Mary Margaret Hughes
5 and offer condolences to the members of her family: to her children,
6 Charles Hughes, Jr., and his wife, Josephine, Mary Stevens and her
7 husband, Dave, Ann Smith and her husband, James, Pat Kirk, Thomas
8 Hughes and his wife, Sandra, Joseph Hughes and his wife, Mary,
9 Winnie Williamson and her husband, Pat, William Humphrey Hughes and
10 his wife, Linda, Therese Palermo and her husband, Tom, Bernie
11 Hughes, Ginny Rich and her husband, David Simpson, Josey Reynolds
12 and her husband, Craig, and Helen Vandergriff and her husband,
13 David; to her 31 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; to her
14 siblings, Virginia and John; and to her other relatives and
15 friends; and, be it further

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