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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with meaningful
2 accomplishments and outstanding service to others remain to comfort
3 the family and friends of Dr. Gladys Hayes Crates, who passed away
4 on May 23, 2007, at the age of 64; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on February 15, 1943, in Ontario, Canada,
6 Gladys Crates attended Duke University and earned her bachelor's
7 and master's degrees as well as her Ph.D. in educational
8 administration and supervision from the University of Tennessee at
9 Chattanooga; and

10 WHEREAS, Dr. Crates went on to teach at the university level
11 for more than 30 years; a pioneer in mathematics education, she
12 developed televised algebra courses, established innovative
13 teaching techniques and curricula, and shared her expertise as a
14 published author and presenter on public television; she was the
15 recipient of the Debbie Waggoner "Above and Beyond" Award from
16 Chattanooga State Technical Community College and was further
17 recognized with an academic scholarship named in her honor;
18 Dr. Crates retired in 2005 as the dean of Arts and Sciences at
19 Chattanooga State; and

20 WHEREAS, This dynamic and devoted woman gave generously of
21 her time and talents to a number of community organizations and
22 humanitarian efforts; a valued member of Saint Paul's Episcopal
23 Church, where she was active with the Altar Guild and the DOC
24 Program and served as treasurer of the vestry, Dr. Crates served as

1 president of In-As-Much Mission, a program benefiting the homeless
2 and needy; she was also involved with the University of Tennessee
3 National Alumni Association Women's Council, the Girls Club, and
4 the Riverbend Festival, and through the Brainerd Presbyterian
5 Church's Uganda Children's Project, she provided scholarships for
6 two young Ugandan children; and

7 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, she enjoyed the love and
8 support of her husband and best friend, Bobby, and their sons, Bob
9 and John, and their grandchildren; and

10 WHEREAS, An avid traveler and lifelong learner, Gladys Crates
11 embraced diversity and original thought, and her kindness,
12 integrity, and unique spirit earned her the lasting respect and
13 admiration of all who knew her; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. Gladys Hayes
16 Crates and extend sympathy to the members of her family: to her
17 husband, Robert C. Crates; to her sons, Robert B. Crates and his
18 wife, Leigh, and Dr. John M. Crates and his wife, Angela; to her
19 grandchildren, Chandler, Cameron, Campbell, and Will; to her
20 brother, Alan; to her sister, Ellie; and to her other relatives and
21 friends; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Gladys
25 Hayes Crates.