

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 380

In Memory
of
Mabel Meshach White

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Dallas in mourning the loss of Mabel Meshach White, who died February 24, 2007, at the age of 92; and

WHEREAS, Mabel Meshach was born in Smithville on September 1, 1914, to Benjamin and Mary Meshach; in 1936, she married the late William White, and together they opened William White Realtors; and

WHEREAS, Mabel White was a beloved and revered citizen and a prominent figure in the Dallas business community; she was a member of the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce, the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, Church Women United, and Zeta Amicae Sorority, and she was a life member of the Young Women's Christian Association, the National Council of Negro Women, Incorporated, and the National Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, She received many honors and awards throughout her life, including the Christian Service Award, the Sojourner Truth Award, and the Trailblazer, Ombudswoman, and Charter Member Awards from South Dallas Business and Professional Women's Club, Incorporated; she was named Zeta Phi Beta Woman of the Year and received the Savvy Award, the Willow Award, and the Heritage Award; she was honored by Bank of America as a "Legend in Business" in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Mabel White was the first African American chairwoman of the board of directors of the American Cancer Society, and her work for that organization led to the naming of an annual outreach event in her honor; and

WHEREAS, Mabel was a devout Christian who practiced her faith in her daily life; she was a member of Good Street Baptist Church for more than 60 years, and she served as president of its Missionary Society and as vice president of the Good Street Federal Credit Union; she was on the board of the Good Haven apartment complex; and

WHEREAS, Mabel White will be remembered for her warmth, her wisdom, and her vitality and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Mabel Meshach White; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mabel Meshach White.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 28, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate