

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 440

In Memory
of
Ernestine Bibbs

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Corpus Christi in mourning the loss of Ernestine Bibbs, who died March 1, 2007, at the age of 84; and

WHEREAS, Ernestine Bibbs dedicated her life to helping young, disadvantaged women improve themselves and their positions in the world; always willing to help others, she was respected in the community for her hard work and many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bibbs helped found the first licensed day care center in the Coastal Bend area; along with the late Bernice Leonard, she opened the Bethune Day Care Nursery in 1942; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bibbs was an active volunteer in numerous civic organizations through the years; she served as president of the Young Women's Christian Association of Corpus Christi and of the Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary; she was a volunteer with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and

WHEREAS, A woman of courage, strength, and compassion, she gave generously to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew her; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bibbs was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother and was beloved by her family and friends, and she will long be remembered for her generous spirit and her many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Ernestine Bibbs: her husband, Herman Bibbs; her daughters, Jimmie Marie Bibbs-McCurn, Shirley Ann Nell, and Herman Louise Bibbs-Williams; her sisters, Retta Evans and Mildred Tippens; her brother, Loman Keys; and her five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and, be it further

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 Ernestine Bibbs.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate