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H.C.R. No. 277

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of Helen
2 Louise Whitney of Paris, Texas, who passed away on May 23, 2009, at
3 the age of 86; and

4 WHEREAS, The former Helen Pierce was born on February 16,
5 1923, to Richard and Vera Cooper Pierce in Medill; she married John
6 Whitney in 1972, and the couple enjoyed more than 37 years of
7 rewarding matrimony; Mrs. Whitney worked as a dental assistant and
8 office manager for various doctors around Paris and was a member of
9 Calvary United Methodist Church; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whitney was a dedicated parent to her three
11 children, a daughter, Nancy L. Jackson, who preceded her mother in
12 death, and two sons, Joel and Jeffrey Coward; with the passing
13 years, she had the pleasure of welcoming six grandchildren and six
14 great-grandchildren into the family; and

15 WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Helen Whitney
16 remember the way she touched their lives with her warmth and
17 generosity, and she will forever hold a treasured place in their
18 hearts; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas
20 hereby pay tribute to the life of Helen Louise Whitney and extend
21 sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her husband, John
22 W. Whitney; to her sons, Joel Coward and Jeffrey Coward and his
23 wife, Sherry; to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; to her
24 nephew, Allen Pierce; and to her other relatives and friends; and,

1 be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
3 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
4 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
5 Helen Whitney.