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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Donna
- 2 Jean Evans of Fort Worth, who died on January 30, 2009, at the age of
- 3 55; and
- WHEREAS, Donna Jean Evans was born in Fort Worth on March 20,
- 5 1953, to L. D. and Emma Jean Evans; she attended Fort Worth schools
- 6 and Tarrant County Junior College; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Ms. Evans graduated from the University of Houston
- 8 with a bachelor's degree in sociology and political science, and
- 9 she pursued graduate studies in urban affairs and public
- 10 administration; and
- 11 WHEREAS, This talented professional went on to a rich and
- 12 productive career in county and state government; in Tarrant
- 13 County, she worked as an urban planner, as a staff assistant for the
- 14 commissioners court, and as a coordinator for the Mayor's Council;
- 15 she also served as the administrator and chief of staff for former
- 16 Texas state representative Glenn Lewis of House District 95 in Fort
- 17 Worth; and
- WHEREAS, In spite of her busy professional responsibilities,
- 19 Ms. Evans found time to give back to her community as a member of the
- 20 Order of the Eastern Star and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; she also
- 21 focused her energy and expertise on many worthwhile community
- 22 projects; a woman of strong faith, she was a lifetime member of
- 23 Baker Chapel A.M.E. Church; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Donna Jean Evans lived a full and generous life, one

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- 1 devoted to her community, her faith, and public service, and she
- 2 will be forever remembered with great affection and admiration by
- 3 all who held her dear; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Donna Jean Evans and
- 6 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her
- 7 sisters, Emma E. Brown and her husband, Paul, Thelma Foreman, and
- 8 Cheree M. Evans; to her brothers, Lawrence D. Evans and Allen C.
- 9 Evans and his wife, Estella; to her nieces, Annette Foreman and
- 10 Tijuana Smith; to her nephews, Kevin Foreman and Carlos Campbell;
- 11 to her extended family, Gloria Griggs, Doris Vaughn, Marilyn Dogan,
- 12 Marsha Knox, Jackie Lewis, Joree Williams, and Lapaula Goss; to her
- 13 special cousin, Viola Bradley; and to her other relatives and many
- 14 friends; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Donna Jean
- 18 Evans.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 870 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 26, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House