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H.R. No. 870

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 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

18 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

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.