RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Mavis L. Cook of Amarillo on July 11, 2008, at the age of
- 3 91; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of Charles and Mattie Terrell, the
- 5 former Mavis L. Terrell was born on October 19, 1916, in Caddo
- 6 Mills; in 1925, her family relocated to the small Panhandle town of
- 7 Sudan and established a 165-acre farm in Lamb County, contributing
- 8 to the development of Sudan as an agricultural community in the
- 9 1920s and 1930s; she was raised on the farm alongside her siblings,
- 10 Elmer, Pearl, Joe, Doyle, and Coleman, and she went on to attend
- 11 West Texas State Teachers College; after graduation, she moved to
- 12 Littlefield, where she taught sixth grade, worked with the local
- 13 4-H Club, and also served as county agent; and
- 14 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was joined in matrimony to
- 15 Charles Marvin Cook on September 24, 1942; blessed with two sons,
- 16 Charles and Michael, the young family later relocated to Amarillo;
- 17 Mrs. Cook and her husband nurtured a fulfilling relationship that
- 18 spanned three decades, until Mr. Cook's death in 1972; and
- 19 WHEREAS, She was a dedicated math teacher at Forest Hill
- 20 Elementary School in Amarillo for 26 years beginning in 1960; she
- 21 also owned and managed her family's farm for many years, and she was
- 22 an active member of Covenant Fellowship; Mrs. Cook took great
- 23 pleasure in traveling with her family, and she also enjoyed sports,
- 24 reading, and gardening; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Throughout her life, Mavis Cook was an inspiring
- 2 model of strength and determination, and she leaves behind a legacy
- 3 that will forever be treasured by all those who held her dear; now,
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Mavis L. Cook and
- 7 extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her sons,
- 8 Charles Cook and his wife, Betty, and Michael Cook and his wife,
- 9 Shelly; to her grandchildren, Lori Flom, C. R. Cook, Cynthia
- 10 Flowers, Melissa Cook, Taylor Michelle Seppi, and Captain Jordan
- 11 Kathleen Cook; to her great-grandchildren, Harley, Haley, Jacob,
- 12 and Ashley; and to her other relatives and friends; and, be it
- 13 further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mavis Cook.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1170 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 1, 2009.

Chief Clerk of the House