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H.R. No. 1262

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends mourn the loss of Mary Ellen  
2 Hayman Lewis of Houston, who died on November 27, 2007, at the age  
3 of 78; and

4 WHEREAS, Mary Ellen Hayman was born in Ohio on July 23, 1929,  
5 to William Ray and Marie Sayre Hayman; she graduated as  
6 valedictorian of her class at Racine High School in 1947 and began  
7 her working life as executive secretary to the mayor of Columbus,  
8 Ohio; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1954, she moved to Texas, where she embarked on a  
10 career in the oil and gas industry that would span more than three  
11 decades; initially employed as a receptionist, she eventually  
12 worked in the field of regulatory compliance and retired in 1989;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Lewis shared 47 years with her husband, Bill,  
15 and together they were blessed with three children; and

16 WHEREAS, Actively engaged in the life of her community, she  
17 was a member of the Tejas Chapter of the Daughters of the American  
18 Revolution, the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Heritage  
19 Republican Women, and other organizations; Mrs. Lewis also worked  
20 with the George Bush Foundation at Texas A&M University and was the  
21 sole trustee of the Bart and Helen De Laat Endowment Fund at the  
22 Colorado School of Mines; and

23 WHEREAS, Known as "Boots" to her loved ones, Mary Ellen Lewis  
24 was a devoted wife and mother, and a dedicated member of her

1 community, and she will forever hold a treasured place in the hearts  
2 of those whose lives she touched; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Mary Ellen Hayman  
5 Lewis and extend sincere condolences to the members of her family:  
6 to her sons, William Gregg Lewis and his wife, Elaine, Jeff Lewis  
7 and his wife, Holly, and Paul Lewis and his wife, Emily; to her nine  
8 grandchildren; and to her other relatives and friends; and, be it  
9 further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mary Ellen  
13 Hayman Lewis.