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H.R. No. 1735

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The people of El Paso lost a beloved member of the
2 community with the death of Maria Sixta Esquivel on October 10,
3 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, Born to Juan Esquivel Martinez and Julia Orijinales
5 Castro on August 6, 1939, Maria Esquivel grew up in Ejido Nuevo
6 Leon, Coahuila, Mexico; in 1963, she became the attendant of El Paso
7 resident Paul Moreno, who was elected to the Texas House of
8 Representatives in 1966, and she remained by his side for more than
9 four decades, during which time she met numerous public officials,
10 including then governor George W. Bush; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Esquivel excelled at her myriad duties,
12 including overseeing the Moreno household, managing functions and
13 parties, and assisting Representative Moreno with any number of
14 tasks; she traveled with him on business trips throughout the
15 United States, Mexico, and Canada and relocated with him to Austin
16 during legislative sessions; she was the only staffer allowed on
17 the house floor, and her assistance was integral to his many
18 efforts; when his workload increased as a member of the
19 appropriations committee in 2001, she was up before dawn to help
20 ready him for morning meetings and was invariably still completing
21 projects long into the night; and

22 WHEREAS, The loving attention of Ms. Esquivel further
23 benefited Representative Moreno's daughter, Annette M. Alvarado,
24 whom she played a significant role in raising; through the years,

1 she also came to hold a special place in the hearts of Ms.
2 Alvarado's daughters, Innette, Evette, and Amarette; she was known
3 affectionately to Ms. Alvarado and her girls as "Nina," while she
4 referred to them as "las cuatro petochitas"; and

5 WHEREAS, Dedicated to her avocation, Ms. Esquivel took
6 seriously her part in Representative Moreno's ability to accomplish
7 good in behalf of his constituents; she was invested in not only the
8 care of her employer, but also the betterment of El Paso and the
9 Lone Star State, and she earned the respect and admiration of
10 political activists throughout the city; and

11 WHEREAS, Maria Esquivel made a meaningful difference in the
12 lives of many, and although she is deeply missed, memories of her
13 will forever be treasured by all those who held her dear; now,
14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
16 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Maria Sixta Esquivel
17 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her
18 sisters, Josefa and Porfiria Esquivel Orijinale; to her brothers,
19 Zeferino, Margarito, Natalio, and Ignacio Esquivel Orijinale; to
20 her close friend and employer, former state representative Paul
21 Moreno, and his daughter and granddaughters, Annette M. Alvarado,
22 and Innette, Evette, and Amarette; and to her other relatives and
23 friends; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
25 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
26 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Maria Sixta
27 Esquivel.