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H.R. No. 2745

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Ida Belle Crocker of Texarkana is commemorating a  
2 special milestone in her life with the celebration of her 80th  
3 birthday on June 5, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Louisiana, Ida Crocker was the seventh  
5 of 10 children born to Belton and Ellen Caldwell Crocker; she  
6 graduated from Central High School in Jefferson and studied  
7 education for two years at Bishop College in Marshall; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Crocker married Hollis Patton in 1950, and the  
9 couple moved to Texarkana, where they raised two daughters, Sandra  
10 and Sharon; Ms. Crocker became a member of the Sunset Baptist Church  
11 in the 1960s and, later in that decade, was employed by the Lone  
12 Star Army Ammunition Plant; in the mid-1970s, she went on to work at  
13 St. Michael's Hospital so that she could devote more time to caring  
14 for her first grandchild, Cimberli; she was later promoted to  
15 supervisor at St. Michael's and served in that capacity until her  
16 retirement in 1995; and

17 WHEREAS, During the 1980s, Ms. Crocker was an active member  
18 of the Amicae Social Club and took part in a number of community  
19 improvement projects; today, she devotes herself to cooking,  
20 gardening, keeping up with basketball, baseball, and football  
21 games, and caring for her home and her family, which has grown to  
22 include a second grandchild, Garry; and

23 WHEREAS, Ida Crocker has enriched the lives of her friends  
24 and loved ones for eight decades, and she continues to bring joy and

1 happiness to all who know her; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
3 Legislature hereby honor Ida Belle Crocker on the occasion of her  
4 80th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued  
5 happiness; and, be it further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for Ms. Crocker as an expression of high regard by the  
8 Texas House of Representatives.