

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 115

In Memory
of
Veronica Teresa O'Hagan Cook

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of El Paso in mourning the loss of Veronica Teresa O'Hagan Cook, who died January 22, 2009, at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, Veronica O'Hagan was the daughter of the late John and Catherine O'Hagan; she married her beloved husband, John F. Cook, Sr., a veteran of World War II, at Saint Ephraim Church in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Veronica Cook was a gifted schoolteacher who taught kindergarten and religious education at Most Holy Trinity School; she loved all children and was devoted to her students, whom she mentored with wisdom and deep affection; and

WHEREAS, El Paso was her home for 36 years, and she was respected in her community for her generous nature, her many accomplishments, and her keen sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, She was a woman of great faith who embraced life with fortitude, grace, and dignity and who gave unselfishly of her time and energy to others; and

WHEREAS, Veronica Cook was a source of strength to many and was beloved by her family and friends, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by all who were fortunate to share in her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Veronica Teresa Cook: her children, Veronica Cook, John Cook, Jr., Michael Cook, Edward Cook, Joan Keating, Edna Benson, and Kevin Cook; her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchild; and her brother, John O'Hagan; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Veronica Cook.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 2, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate