SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 169

In Memory of Marian Gunst Crutchfield

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Corpus Christi in mourning the loss of Marian Gunst Crutchfield, who died February 1, 2009, at the age of 92; and

WHEREAS, Marian was born in Corpus Christi on October 12, 1916, the only child of Lester and Mary Gunst; after a hurricane destroyed their home on North Beach in 1919, the family moved to Chicago and then Dallas before returning to Corpus Christi, where her father owned a book and stationery store; and

WHEREAS, She graduated from Corpus Christi High School and attended Sophie Newcomb College in New Orleans and The University of Texas; she was married to the late Tom Browne, the late Ben F. Vaughan, Jr., and John C. Crutchfield; and

WHEREAS, Marian was one of the original debutantes and a longtime member of the Order of de Pineda and the Antiques and Flowers Garden Club; she was a member of the board of directors of KEDT Public Television and the advisory board of the Corpus Christi Museum; and

WHEREAS, Noted for her grace, her generosity of spirit, and her devotion to her family, Marian enjoyed a full and active life; she was a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

and many friends; now, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Marian Gunst Crutchfield: her husband, John C. Crutchfield, and his children, Catherine and Howard; her daughter, Barbara Browne McClellan, and her husband, John, and their children, Michael McClellan and Kathleen McClellan Parks; her son, Steve Browne, and his wife, Carolyn, and their daughters, Meredith, Emily, Sarah, and Ellen Browne; and the Vaughn and Rossi-Landi families; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for 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 Marian Gunst Crutchfield.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 10, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate