

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 386

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to honor the life and work of Hazel Holladay of Wichita County, who has spent more than 30 years as a foster parent and a supporter of foster parenting; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Holladay was born in Llano and grew up in Roby; she graduated from Roby High School in 1948 and attended Hardin-Simmons University; she married Glen Holladay in 1950, and they shared 58 years of love and devotion; they were blessed with a wonderful family of four children and five grandchildren and a very special godchild; and

WHEREAS, They began providing foster care for children in 1977 and cared for 98 children over the years, giving them the love, assurance, stability, and security they would not have had without the Holladays; and

WHEREAS, The couple provided guidance in developing the Wichita County Area Foster Parent Association and served in numerous leadership positions, and they established and maintained the first clothes closet in the area for families with foster children; in 1997, they were recognized as local, regional, and state Foster Parents of the Year and as Family of the Year in Wichita County; they were given the Patsy Baggett Service Award by the Wichita County Child Welfare Board in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holladay was an original member of the board of directors of Patsy's House Advocacy Center in Wichita Falls; she also served on the boards of the Children's Aid Society of West Texas and Community Partners, and she served as the foster parent representative to the Wichita County Child Welfare Board for several years; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Holladay is a generous and warm-hearted woman who has made a positive impact on the lives of the many children who have shared her home over the years; she has earned the admiration and respect of all who know her for her commitment to foster parenting and service to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Hazel Holladay for her dedication to helping others and her many contributions to foster parenting; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in her honor as an expression of highest regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 9, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate