## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 705

## In Memory of Tennie Louise Green Sills

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of Tennie Louise Green Sills, who died April 5, 2009, at the age of 98; and

WHEREAS, Tennie Green was born March 10, 1911, in Redwater; she earned an associate degree and an elementary school teaching certificate in 1930; and

WHEREAS, She began teaching in the small town of Gallatin and was a boarder in the home of her school's superintendent; it was there that she learned to play the piano by ear, and she continued to enjoy playing throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Tennie married Frank David Sills, and the couple spent 50 years together until he preceded her in death; she was dedicated to her work as a homemaker and as a co-owner of Sills Snack Shack; and

WHEREAS, She helped to run the family restaurant and loved chatting with customers while handling the cash register; the restaurant was famous for its bean burgers and Chihuahua dogs and was a successful business for 34 years before closing in 1988; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary lady, Tennie Sills was respected in the community for her many accomplishments; she was an active member of Alamo Heights United Methodist Church; she was known for her outgoing personality and kindhearted nature and she was beloved by all who knew her; and

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WHEREAS, A woman of integrity, strength, and generosity, she gave unselfishly of her time to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten; Tennie Sills was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family 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 Tennie Louise Green Sills: her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Ann Davis and Bill; her son and daughter-in-law, Frank David Sills, Jr., and Jenny; and her seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; 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 Tennie Sills.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate