

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 133

In Memory  
of  
Bernice Marie DeWese

**WHEREAS,** The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of Bernice Marie DeWese, who died June 13, 2011, at the age of 90; and

**WHEREAS,** Bernice Marie DeWese was born October 11, 1920, in San Antonio; she met James DeWese while dining at his family's restaurant, DeWese's Tip Top Café, in 1945, and they were married the next year; and

**WHEREAS,** Following their marriage, Mrs. DeWese worked at the restaurant for a short time before devoting herself to raising their three children; she returned to the café in the 1970s and became a major force in its success, performing every task vital to ensure its smooth operation, including waiting tables, running the cash register, and hiring employees; and

**WHEREAS,** For three decades, she dedicated her life to maintaining the restaurant's family atmosphere and patron-friendly environment; her genuine concern for people led her to create a work environment that made employees feel like they were members of her family; and

**WHEREAS,** A woman of courage, strength, and compassion, she gave unselfishly to others, and her generosity, her impressive work ethic, and her enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in her life; and

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**WHEREAS**, She 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, 82nd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Bernice Marie DeWese: her daughters, Linda DeWese and Loretta Hettler; and her two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; 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 Bernice Marie DeWese.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 28, 2011, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate