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H.R. No. 71

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A full and generous life has come to an end with the  
2 death of Sharon Ann Dykes of Horseshoe Bay on November 29, 2010, at  
3 the age of 70; and

4           WHEREAS, The former Sharon Tuckey was born in Ballinger in  
5 1940 to J. G. and Mary Lou Tuckey; she graduated from Ballinger High  
6 School, where she met her future husband, William Taylor "Spike"  
7 Dykes; married in 1958, they were blessed with three children,  
8 Rick, Bebe, and Sonny, as well as six grandchildren; and

9           WHEREAS, During the early years of their marriage, the couple  
10 moved often, following Mr. Dykes's career as he coached football in  
11 a number of communities, including Coahoma, Eastland, San Angelo,  
12 Belton, Big Spring, Alice, and Midland; Mrs. Dykes became expert in  
13 managing and moving her household, children, and pets from town to  
14 town; and

15           WHEREAS, In 1971, the Dykes family settled in Austin, where  
16 Mr. Dykes joined the coaching staff of The University of Texas, and  
17 in 1984, they moved to Lubbock, where Mr. Dykes assumed the post of  
18 head football coach at Texas Tech University; during her years in  
19 Lubbock, Mrs. Dykes was an essential part of the Red Raider family  
20 and a valued member of First United Methodist Church; and

21           WHEREAS, After Coach Dykes retired in 1999, the couple made  
22 their home in Horseshoe Bay; Mrs. Dykes took great pleasure in  
23 traveling, gardening, and the arts; she was a devoted wife and a  
24 loving mother and grandmother; and

1           WHEREAS, Sharon Dykes touched the lives of countless  
2 individuals through her quiet strength and gentle and gracious  
3 nature, and she will be forever remembered with deep affection by  
4 all who held her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Sharon Ann Dykes and  
7 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her  
8 husband of 52 years, Spike Dykes; to her sons, Rick Dykes and his  
9 wife, Shelley, and Sonny Dykes and his wife, Kate; to her daughter,  
10 Bebe Petree, and her husband, Larry; to her sisters, Linda Reinhart  
11 and her husband, Dick, Dian Pack and her husband, Charles, and  
12 Cynthia Devlin; to her grandchildren, Jessica Dykes Oatman and her  
13 husband, Mark, Julianne Dykes, Dusty Dykes, Casey Petree, Taylor  
14 Petree, and Alta Caroline Dykes; and to her other relatives and  
15 friends; and, be it further

16           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Sharon Ann  
19 Dykes.