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H.R. No. 363

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and  
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends  
3 of Dorothy Dee Nicholson of San Antonio, who died on September 19,  
4 2009, at the age of 95; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in Kerrville on March 10, 1914, to George and  
6 Della Owens, the former Dorothy Owens graduated from Charlton  
7 Pollard High School in Beaumont, where she was distinguished as the  
8 class essayist; she went on to attend St. Philip's College before  
9 earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Tillotson  
10 College and a master's degree from Texas Southern University; a  
11 proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, she pursued  
12 postgraduate studies at the University of California, Los Angeles,  
13 The University of Texas at Austin, and Trinity University; and

14           WHEREAS, Mrs. Nicholson began her career in education as a  
15 teacher at Rosewood Elementary School in Austin; after moving to  
16 San Antonio, she taught at Dorie Miller and Fannin Elementary  
17 Schools and later retired as principal of Barkley/Ruiz Elementary;  
18 and

19           WHEREAS, Baptized at St. John Baptist Church in Beaumont as a  
20 child, Mrs. Nicholson remained dedicated to her faith throughout  
21 her life; she was an active congregant of Second Baptist Church in  
22 San Antonio for 75 years, serving as president of the Baptist Young  
23 People's Union and the Women's Missionary Union and as a member of  
24 the hospitality committee and board of trustees; moreover, she

1 founded the Willing Workers Circle and the Rebecca Circle and  
2 taught Sunday school; and

3         WHEREAS, Following the passing of her first husband, Aubrey  
4 Spriggs, this esteemed woman was fortunate enough to find love a  
5 second time with Timothy Nicholson, with whom she enjoyed a  
6 fulfilling marriage until his death in 1989; and

7         WHEREAS, Dorothy Nicholson lived a caring and purposeful  
8 life, and she will forever be remembered with great affection and  
9 admiration by all those who held her dear; now, therefore, be it

10         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dorothy Dee  
12 Nicholson and extend sincere sympathy to her beloved friend, Helen  
13 Joshua; to her special nurse, Joyce Edmondson; to her nieces and  
14 nephews; and to all those who mourn her passing; and, be it further

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