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H.R. No. 483

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Janette  
2 Overton Dixon of San Antonio, who passed away on January 21, 2011,  
3 at the age of 70; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Palestine, Texas, Janette Overton was  
5 born on December 5, 1940, to Lily May Morriss and Andrew Jackson  
6 Overton, Jr.; she earned a bachelor's degree from The University of  
7 Texas at Austin and subsequently taught geography and history to  
8 middle school students; and

9 WHEREAS, She moved to San Antonio after marrying Don P.  
10 Dixon, and the couple went on to share 45 rewarding years together;  
11 they raised two sons, David and Douglas, and later shared in the joy  
12 of welcoming eight grandchildren into their family; and

13 WHEREAS, Strong in her faith, Mrs. Dixon was an active member  
14 of Castle Hills First Baptist Church in San Antonio, where she  
15 taught Sunday school, participated in the women's ministry, and  
16 chaired a Women's Concerns Conference; she also served on a local  
17 committee for the National Day of Prayer and as an associate board  
18 member for the Baptist Health System; in addition, she was a  
19 substitute teacher and volunteer at San Antonio Christian Schools  
20 and was active for many years in Bible Study Fellowship; and

21 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was a member of the Daughters of  
22 the American Revolution and the Alamo Mission Chapter of the  
23 Daughters of the Republic of Texas, serving that organization in  
24 numerous capacities, including as education chair; recently, she

1 had developed a series of bookmarks for area schoolchildren that  
2 chronicled the lives of various founders of the Republic of Texas,  
3 and she was also a co-author of *The Alamo Long Barrack Museum*,  
4 published by the DRT; and

5 WHEREAS, Though she is deeply missed, Janette Dixon will  
6 forever be remembered with great admiration and affection by those  
7 fortunate enough to have shared in the richness of her life; now,  
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Janette Overton  
11 Dixon and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to  
12 her husband, Don P. Dixon; to her sons, David Patrick Dixon and his  
13 wife, Tiffany, and Douglas Paul Dixon and his wife, Laura; to her  
14 brother, Andrew Jackson Overton III and his wife, Patricia; to her  
15 eight grandchildren; and to her other relatives and friends; and,  
16 be it further

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