

By: Anderson of McLennan

H.R. No. 1406

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and purposeful life drew to a close on March  
2 20, 2011, with the passing of Christine Kocian Vanek of West at the  
3 age of 94; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Penelope on July 27, 1916, to Vince and  
5 Frances Kocian, the former Christine Kocian attended Cottonwood  
6 School near Hubbard; in 1937 she married Frank Vanek, and they  
7 shared 38 years of marriage before his passing; the couple were  
8 blessed with four children, Patsy, Maxine, Steve, and Allen, and  
9 with the passing years, Mrs. Vanek had the pleasure of welcoming  
10 into her family 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; and

11 WHEREAS, In addition to her work as a devoted homemaker, she  
12 owned and operated the popular Dixie Hamburger Drive-In with her  
13 husband for several years; she was also a talented seamstress and  
14 served a 20-year tenure with Lorch Manufacturing Company in West;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Vanek was a valued member of her community of  
17 faith, holding membership in St. Mary's Catholic Church of the  
18 Assumption, Catholic Daughters of America, and the K.J.Z.T.  
19 Society; in her free time, she enjoyed canning and tending her  
20 flowers and garden; and

21 WHEREAS, Although she is deeply missed, Christine Vanek is  
22 remembered with great tenderness and affection by all those who  
23 were fortunate enough to share in her love and friendship; now,  
24 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Christine Kocian  
3 Vanek and extend deepest sympathy to the members of her family: to  
4 her children, Patsy C'de Baca and her husband, Frankie, Maxine  
5 Kazda, Allen Vanek and his wife, Stephanie, and Steve Vanek; to her  
6 sister, Frances Beseda; to her 10 grandchildren and 15  
7 great-grandchildren; and to her other relatives and friends; and,  
8 be it further

9           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Christine  
12 Vanek.