By: Guillen H.R. No. 2402

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Ines G. Carrera of Starr County, an esteemed educator and friend to many, passed away on January 27, 2011, at the age of 80; and

WHEREAS, A descendant of the original Spanish-speaking pioneers who colonized Starr County in the mid-18th century, Ines Carrera was born at La Reforma Ranch on July 29, 1930, to Manuel Guerra Saenz and Francisca Ramirez Gera; she married Eladio

Carrera, and together they shared 56 years of matrimony and became 8 the parents of five children before Mr. Carrera passed away; and 9 WHEREAS, At age 16, Mrs. Carrera was valedictorian of the 10 11 Class of 1947 at San Isidro High School, and she went on to graduate 12 with high honors from Texas State College for Women in 1951, earning both a bachelor of arts degree and a bachelor of science degree; and 13 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Carrera began her notable 28-year career in education during the 1951-52 school year, initially teaching home 15 economics at Roma High School; she joined the faculty at Rio Grande 16 City High School the following year before taking nine years off to 17 raise her children; she returned to Rio Grande City High in 1962 and 18 continued to work there until her retirement in 1988, by which time 19 she was teaching some of the grandchildren of her original 20 21 students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carrera loved history, reading, cooking, sewing, and gardening, and she served as president of the Rio Grande

24 City Garden Club, the Starr County Historical Association, and the

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- 1 Rio Grande City Women's Club, of which she was a life member; in
- 2 addition, she was a director of the Rio Grande City-Roma Pan
- 3 American Round Table, a founding member of Los Caminos Del Rio, and
- 4 a member of the Starr County Retired School Employees Association;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Ines Carrera made a positive difference in the lives
- 7 of countless Rio Grande City students, and she leaves behind a
- 8 legacy of dedicated service to her community that will continue to
- 9 resonate for many years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Ines G. Carrera and
- 12 extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her
- 13 children, Eladio, Victor, Minerva, and Daniel Carrera and Gloria
- 14 Lammers; to her grandchildren, Aaron, Carlos, and Olivia Lammers
- 15 and Monique, Alexandro, Marisa, Marielle, Cristian, and Isaac
- 16 Carrera; to her step-granddaughter, Celena Avila; to her siblings,
- 17 Rafael, Juan Manuel, and Leonel Guerra, Elmira Beeler, and Berta
- 18 Bradley; and to her other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ines
- 22 Carrera.