

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 52

In Memory
of
Golda Mae Caston Sykes

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Golda Mae Caston Sykes, who died May 25, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Golda Sykes was born in San Francisco to Milton Kash and Ereve Mae Greenwell Caston; she graduated in 1963 from Buchser High School in Santa Clara, California, where she was an honor student and a cheerleader; and

WHEREAS, She grew up in a military family and traveled around the world as a young woman; while living in Anchorage, Alaska, she met her husband, the late Robert Lee Sykes, and they married on December 25, 1964; and

WHEREAS, The couple traveled throughout the country while Mr. Sykes served in the United States Army; they raised two children, and when Golda became disenchanted with the education her children were receiving, she began a regimen of homeschooling; she went on to establish the Sykes Academy in Fort Worth to serve other families whose children struggled with mainstream education; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian who practiced her faith in her daily life, she held numerous positions within the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, including that of Primary president, Relief Society president, Young Women president, and Youth Seminary teacher; and

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WHEREAS, A woman of courage, strength, and compassion, she gave generously to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Golda Mae Caston Sykes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Golda Mae Caston Sykes.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 12, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate