

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 80th birthday of an esteemed Texan truly merits
2 special recognition, and Gladys Earl Coleman Williams of Corpus
3 Christi marked this notable milestone on August 3, 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Bastrop, Mrs. Williams was born in 1933,
5 the youngest of nine children of Early and Edith Coleman; she
6 received her early education in a two-room schoolhouse before
7 moving to Corpus Christi in 1950; while attending Solomon M. Coles
8 High School, she excelled in academics, participated in choir and
9 track, and earned the title of most valuable player for her
10 performance on the basketball court; and

11 WHEREAS, The former Gladys Coleman married her high school
12 sweetheart, Johnny Williams, following her graduation;
13 Mrs. Williams worked as an elevator operator and in the home of a
14 local doctor before becoming a devoted homemaker, raising 4
15 children, Gloria, Carroll, Ruth, and Kevin; today, she is further
16 blessed with 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; and

17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Williams has been an active and engaged
18 citizen; through the years, she has served as president of the PTA
19 at Solomon M. Coles Elementary School and of the Corpus Christi
20 Housing Authority Residents' Organization; in addition, she served
21 on a housing panel that included former secretary of housing and
22 urban development Henry Cisneros, and she has enjoyed participation
23 in the Queen of Hearts Social Club; and

24 WHEREAS, Dedicated to her family and community, Gladys

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1 Williams may reflect with pride on eight decades of life well lived,
2 and it is indeed a pleasure to join with her friends and loved ones
3 in honoring her on this memorable occasion; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
5 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Gladys Earl
6 Coleman Williams on her 80th birthday and extend to her sincere best
7 wishes for continued happiness and good fortune; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for Mrs. Williams as an expression of high regard by the
10 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 3 was adopted by the House on August 5, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House