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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of Martha Barron Bondurant of Arlington on December 1,  
3 2011, at the age of 89; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Baltimore, Maryland, on January 8, 1922, the  
5 former Marty Barron was the daughter of Thomas Barron and Hazel  
6 Donohoe; she attended St. Dominic Catholic School and graduated  
7 from Seton High School before going on to complete her education at  
8 Mercy Hospital School of Nursing; and

9 WHEREAS, This dedicated nurse enlisted in the United States  
10 Army Air Corps and then transferred to the Army Ground Corps in  
11 order to be deployed overseas during World War II; she worked at the  
12 army hospital in Torquay, England, and on one occasion, she  
13 assisted surgeons for 72 straight hours as they treated men wounded  
14 in the Battle of the Bulge; after the Allied victory in Europe, she  
15 cared for soldiers and concentration camp survivors in Reims,  
16 France; it was there that she met Army Captain Fred Warren  
17 Bondurant, Jr., and he later proposed to her in Baltimore, where she  
18 was working at the Merchant Marine Hospital; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Bondurant married in her hometown and  
20 moved to Arlington; over the course of the couple's 68 years  
21 together, they became the proud parents of 6 children, Sherry,  
22 Terrie, Chrissie, Rick, Sandy, and Barry, and shared in the joy of  
23 welcoming into their family 28 grandchildren and 14  
24 great-grandchildren; and

1           WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family and admiring friends,  
2 Marty Bondurant was a source of joy and inspiration to all who  
3 shared in the richness of her life, and those who loved her will  
4 forever hold her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Martha Barron  
7 Bondurant and extend sincere condolences to the members of her  
8 family: to her husband, Fred W. Bondurant; to her children, Sherry  
9 Lewis and her husband, Jim, Terrie Whitman and her husband, Doug,  
10 Chrissie Keffler and her husband, Bill, Rick Bondurant, Sandy Berry  
11 and her husband, Tim, and Barry Bondurant and his wife, Karen; to  
12 her grandchildren, Amy, Andrew, Jennie, Elizabeth, Sarah, Katie,  
13 Abby, Joey, Sam, Ellie, Will, Danielle, Rachel, Ricky, Josh,  
14 Nathan, Ben, T. J., Luke, Nick, Emily, Caleb, Rebekah, Samantha,  
15 Noah, Tabitha, and Faith; to her sisters, Isobel Barron and  
16 Catherine Craig and her husband, Gene; to her 14  
17 great-grandchildren; and to her other relatives and friends; and,  
18 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 Marty  
22 Bondurant.