

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Bertha Hilburn is being honored by the congregation
2 of St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church of Dallas on
3 February 17, 2013, as a Senior Saint of Wisdom; and

4 WHEREAS, A faithful member of the church, Mrs. Hilburn is
5 also a longtime resident of Dallas; she served as a nurse's aide at
6 Parkland Hospital in 1941 before assembling airplane parts during
7 World War II; following the conclusion of the war, she returned to
8 Parkland as a nurse, and, hoping to help single mothers find work,
9 she opened the city's first licensed nursery for African Americans;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, In the late 1940s, Mrs. Hilburn and her husband
12 moved to South Dallas and purchased an apartment building that had
13 originally served as a small hospital specializing in care for
14 unwed mothers; Mrs. Hilburn operated the building as a residential
15 hotel for African Americans, one of the first in the city, and
16 raised her family there; and

17 WHEREAS, Along the way, Bertha Hilburn worked as a physical
18 therapy assistant with the Dallas public schools, and later on she
19 was employed by the Dallas Easter Seal Society; recently, her
20 daughter Vanessa Baker took steps to have the building owned by her
21 mother designated as a local historic landmark; and

22 WHEREAS, This beloved Texan has touched the hearts of many
23 throughout her life, and it is a pleasure to join in wishing her
24 well and honoring her for her long record of service to others; now,

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Bertha Hilburn on her selection as
4 a Senior Saint of Wisdom by St. Luke "Community" United Methodist
5 Church of Dallas and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
6 happiness; and, be it further

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

Giddings

Straus	M. Gonzalez of El Paso	Oliveira
Allen	N. Gonzalez of El Paso	Orr
Alonzo	Gooden	Otto
Alvarado	Guerra	Paddie
Anchia	Guillen	Parker
Anderson	Gutierrez	Patrick
Ashby	Harless	Perez
Aycock	Harper-Brown	Perry
Bell	Hernandez Luna	Phillips
Bohac	Herrero	Pickett
Bonnen of Brazoria	Hilderbran	Pitts
Bonnen of Galveston	Howard	Price
Branch	Huberty	Raney
Burkett	Hughes	Ratliff
Burnam	Hunter	Raymond
Button	Isaac	Reynolds
Callegari	Johnson	Riddle
Canales	Kacal	Ritter
Capriglione	Keffer	Rodriguez of Bexar
Carter	King of Hemphill	Rodriguez of Travis
Clardy	King of Parker	Rose
Coleman	King of Taylor	Sanford
Collier	King of Zavala	Schaefer
Cook	Kleinschmidt	Sheets
Cortez	Klick	Sheffield of Bell
Craddick	Kolkhorst	Sheffield of Coryell
Creighton	Krause	Simmons
Crownover	Kuempel	Simpson
Dale	Larson	Smith
Darby	Laubenberg	Smithee
Davis of Dallas	Lavender	Springer
J. Davis of Harris	Leach	Stephenson
S. Davis of Harris	Lewis	Stickland
Deshotel	Longoria	Strama
Dukes	Lozano	Taylor
Dutton	Lucio III	Thompson of Brazoria
Eiland	Marquez	Thompson of Harris
Elkins	Martinez	Toth
Fallon	Martinez Fischer	Turner of Collin
Farias	McClendon	Turner of Harris
Farney	Menendez	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miles	Villalba
Fletcher	Miller of Comal	Villarreal
Flynn	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Frank	Moody	Walle
Frullo	Morrison	White
Geren	Munoz, Jr.	Workman
Giddings	Murphy	Wu
Goldman	Naishtat	Zedler
Gonzales	Nevarez	Zerwas

H.R. No. 347

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 347 was adopted by the House on February 11, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House