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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A full and productive life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of San Angelo philanthropist Amy McLaughlin on June 7,
- 3 2011, at the age of 78; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of David and Thelma Johnson, the former
- 5 Amy Johnson was born in San Antonio on September 6, 1932; while a
- 6 student at Thomas Jefferson High School, she won the Miss Teena
- 7 Texas title and served as major of her school's pep squad; she went
- 8 on to earn her bachelor's degree in home economics at The University
- 9 of Texas at Austin, where she was elected secretary of the student
- 10 body, was named a Bluebonnet Belle, and was a member of Delta Delta
- 11 Delta; and
- WHEREAS, She married Mark McLaughlin in 1954, and they became
- 13 the parents of four children, Michael, Laure, Brian, and Matthew;
- 14 the couple lived in Shreveport, Austin, and Snyder before settling
- 15 in San Angelo in 1965; through the years, Mrs. McLaughlin knew the
- 16 joy of welcoming six treasured grandchildren, Claire, Blake, Annie,
- 17 Stuart, Sarah, and Emily; and
- WHEREAS, Devoted to her family, Mrs. McLaughlin also found
- 19 time to benefit her community in a variety of ways; she was
- 20 president of the San Angelo Junior League and of the San Angelo
- 21 Symphony Society, and she served on the boards of the Fort Concho
- 22 National Historic Landmark and the San Angelo Cultural Affairs
- 23 Council as well; moreover, she was involved with the San Angelo
- 24 Museum of Fine Arts and served on the fund-raising committee for the

- 1 Stephens Central Library; and
- 2 WHEREAS, This proud UT alumna was a generous supporter of her
- 3 alma mater and a staunch proponent of higher education; in 1982, the
- 4 board of regents of The University of Texas System established the
- 5 Amy Johnson McLaughlin Centennial Professorship in Home Economics
- 6 to recognize her contributions; she later served as co-chair of a
- 7 committee that raised construction funds for the Seay Building,
- 8 which now houses several Human Ecology departments, and the
- 9 university named a foyer in her honor; more recently, she was
- 10 recognized with the creation of the Amy Johnson McLaughlin
- 11 Administrative Chair in Human Ecology; and
- 12 WHEREAS, She and her husband were among the earliest
- 13 benefactors of the San Angelo Area Foundation and made a major
- 14 donation to underwrite its scholarship program; a caring mentor,
- 15 Mrs. McLaughlin enjoyed attending the scholarship luncheons and
- 16 following the progress of the young recipients; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Gracious, warm, and thoughtful of others, Amy
- 18 McLaughlin earned a special place in the hearts of innumerable
- 19 people, and she made a lasting, positive difference through her
- 20 selfless dedication to civic life; now, therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 22 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Amy Johnson
- 23 McLaughlin and extend sincere condolences to her loved ones; and,
- 24 be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for the members of her family and that when the Texas House
- 3 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Amy
- 4 Johnson McLaughlin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 612 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 13, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House