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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The death of Janice D'Aun Glass Thompson of
- 2 Arlington on October 16, 2012, at the age of 72, brought a great
- 3 loss to her family and many friends; and
- WHEREAS, Born in Shamrock on June 15, 1940, the former Janice
- 5 Glass was the daughter of Herschel and Annabelle Glass; she grew up
- 6 on a farm near Andice, and during high school she blossomed as a
- 7 singer and actress; in 1958, she won the Best Actress title in state
- 8 UIL competition; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Ms. Thompson became the devoted mother of four
- 10 children, Jana, Kelly, Gerald, and John, and she instilled in them
- 11 the importance of honor, faith, compassion, and a strong work
- 12 ethic; she also emphasized the value of higher education, and with
- 13 her encouragement, all of her offspring went on to earn advanced
- 14 degrees; moreover, she was a "second mother" to many of her
- 15 children's friends, and through the years, she continued to mentor
- 16 and nurture those around her; and
- WHEREAS, At the age of 48, Ms. Thompson enrolled in college
- 18 herself, and she received her bachelor's degree in political
- 19 science cum laude four years later; she worked as a paralegal in
- 20 Dallas and became paralegal manager for the firm of Weil, Gotschal,
- 21 and Manges before retiring; and
- WHEREAS, Highly engaged in her community, Ms. Thompson served
- 23 as president of the Arlington Civic League and of the Arlington
- 24 Medical Auxiliary; she was a member of the Arlington Civic Chorus,

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- 1 Theatre Arlington, and Girls Inc.; in addition, she served on the
- 2 board of First United Methodist Church in Arlington, and she was a
- 3 member of the Aldersgate Sunday School Class and Stephen Ministry
- 4 at Trinity United Methodist Church; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Janice Thompson lived a rich and purposeful life,
- 6 and those who were fortunate enough to know her will forever cherish
- 7 their memories of her kindness, strength, and grace; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Janice D'Aun Glass
- 11 Thompson and extend sincere condolences to the members of her
- 12 family: to her children, Kelly Thompson Weeks and her husband,
- 13 David, Gerald Kenneth Thompson and his wife, JoLee, and John Kevin
- 14 Thompson and his wife, Patti; to her grandchildren, Tori, Trace,
- 15 Meghan, Hank, Tanner, and Tucker Thompson, Dylan Weeks, and Zachary
- 16 Zane "ZZ" Weeks; to the father of her children, Dr. Gerald G.
- 17 Thompson, and his wife, Linda; and to her many other relatives and
- 18 friends; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for the members of her family and that when the Texas House
- 21 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Janice
- 22 D'Aun Glass Thompson.