

By: Sheffield of Bell

H.R. No. 1543

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories  
2 of Elinor Margaret Brooks Kettler of Brenham, who passed away on  
3 November 24, 2011, at the age of 85; and

4 WHEREAS, The daughter of George Willard Brooks and Bernice  
5 Brooks, Mrs. Kettler was born on April 15, 1926, in Navasota; she  
6 graduated from Navasota High School and attended Sam Houston State  
7 Teachers College; in 1944, she married Harold G. Harrison, and they  
8 became the parents of three children; later in life, in 1996, she  
9 exchanged wedding vows with Melvin Kettler, and they enjoyed a  
10 rewarding marriage until his passing in 2010; and

11 WHEREAS, A woman of strong faith, Mrs. Kettler was baptized  
12 at the First Baptist Church of Navasota in 1938, and she joined  
13 St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Brenham in 1992;  
14 affectionately known as "Mimi" to many, she loved the arts and was  
15 skilled with oil paints; moreover, Mrs. Kettler enjoyed traveling  
16 across Europe, scrapbooking, and reading; she was instrumental in  
17 fund-raising efforts to establish the Bellville Public Library; and

18 WHEREAS, Elinor Kettler lived a rich and purposeful life  
19 centered around her faith and her family, and she will long be  
20 remembered with deep affection by all who knew her; now, therefore,  
21 be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Elinor Margaret  
24 Brooks Kettler and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her

1 family: to her daughters, Julie Tegeler and her husband, Larry, and  
2 Georgana Marek and her husband, David; to her son, Philip Harrison,  
3 and his wife, Jeanette; to her grandchildren, Amey Rogas and her  
4 husband, Russell, Bradley Tegeler, James Harrison and his wife,  
5 Holly, Haley Beham and her husband, Matthew, Sara Kramer and her  
6 husband, Robert, and John Harrison and his wife, Dori; to her  
7 great-grandchildren, Britt, Grant, Benjamin, and Jack Rogas and  
8 Elinor Grace Harrison; to her brother-in-law, Charlie Harrison, and  
9 his wife, Peggy; and to her other relatives and many friends; and,  
10 be it further

11         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Elinor  
14 Margaret Brooks Kettler.