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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to
2 a close when Ethyel Stallings passed away on March 27, 2013, at the
3 age of 92; and

4 WHEREAS, Ethyel Stallings was born and raised in Dallas,
5 graduating from Woodrow Wilson High School in 1939; she went on to
6 marry Ted Stallings, with whom she nurtured a rewarding
7 relationship and shared the joy of raising five children, Greg,
8 Steve, Don, Suzanne, and Diana; and

9 WHEREAS, Through the years, Mrs. Stallings distinguished
10 herself as a community leader of boundless energy; inspired to
11 support the candidacy of Dwight Eisenhower, she formed the First
12 Republican Women's Club of Dallas in 1952, and today, the
13 organization continues to be a powerful force in North Texas
14 politics; she also collected enough signatures to create the first
15 Republican precinct in Dallas County, and her story of walking
16 door-to-door while pulling her children in a little red wagon has
17 become legendary among her fellow activists; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Stallings further shared her time and talents
19 with scouting programs, the Lakeview Garden Club, and the State
20 Fair of Texas, which she served for many years as a craft and food
21 judge; together with her husband, she attended First United
22 Methodist Church and was active in the Norrell Sunday school class;
23 through that group, she oversaw a scholarship foundation for the
24 Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University as

1 president and trustee; and

2 WHEREAS, Ethyel Stallings embodied the spirit of public
3 engagement that is the foundation of a successful democracy, and
4 although she will be deeply missed, she leaves behind a legacy of
5 achievement that will long resonate in the city she was proud to
6 call home; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ethyel Stallings
9 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her
10 sons, Greg Stallings and Steve Stallings; to her daughters, Suzanne
11 Guerra and Diana Hadley; to her seven grandchildren and five
12 great-grandchildren; and to her other relatives and many friends;
13 and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ethyel
17 Stallings.