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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Ethel Claudine Brannan Stapleton of Livingston on April
- 3 29, 2013, at the age of 81; and
- WHEREAS, Born to James and Ethel Brannan on September 25,
- 5 1931, the former Ethel Brannan was a native of Beaumont; a gifted
- 6 pianist, she often treated neighbors to impromptu performances
- 7 during her youth, and she was an ardent lover of music throughout
- 8 her life; she graduated from South Park High School and attended
- 9 Lamar College, and she later worked for several years with Mobil
- 10 Oil; and
- 11 WHEREAS, After marrying Monroe Stapleton in 1954,
- 12 Mrs. Stapleton dedicated herself to her work as a homemaker; she
- 13 was the mother of four children, Greg, Keith, Sarai, and Daniel, and
- 14 took great pride in her five grandchildren; she and Mr. Stapleton
- 15 shared 46 years together before he passed away; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Ethel Stapleton treasured the time she spent in the
- 17 company of her family and friends, and those she leaves behind will
- 18 in turn cherish their memories of this kind and caring woman; now,
- 19 therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Ethel Claudine
- 22 Brannan Stapleton and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her
- 23 family: to her children, Greg and his wife, Mary, Keith and his
- 24 wife, Peggy, Sarai, and Daniel and his wife, Melissa; to her

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- 1 grandchildren, Emilie, Maggie, Megan, Justin, and Gavin; to her
- 2 sister, Dorris Hatton; and to her other relatives and friends; and,
- 3 be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 5 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 6 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ethel
- 7 Claudine Brannan Stapleton.