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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 Belva Jean Young Siebenthall of Wildwood passed away on  
3 April 24, 2013, at the age of 81; and

4 WHEREAS, The former Belva Young was born in Beaumont on  
5 October 23, 1931, to Allen and Nora Young; she married Carl  
6 Siebenthall, and the couple lived in Visalia, California, for many  
7 years; Mrs. Siebenthall helped establish a Christian school at the  
8 Church of Christ of Visalia, and she taught first and second grade  
9 there before becoming the administrator; and

10 WHEREAS, Horseback riding was one of her favorite pastimes  
11 outside of her work and church activities, and she mastered the  
12 English saddle and competed in numerous horse shows; in addition,  
13 she loved to write, and her poems remain a source of enjoyment for  
14 many; and

15 WHEREAS, Mrs. Siebenthall returned to Texas after retiring in  
16 1998 and made her home in Wildwood; she joined the Church of Christ  
17 in Warren and also was an active member of the Wildwood Bird  
18 Watchers; and

19 WHEREAS, Although Belva Siebenthall will be deeply missed,  
20 cherished memories of time spent in her company will long endure in  
21 the hearts of her family and friends; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Belva Jean Young  
24 Siebenthall and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her

1 family: to her son, Bruce Siebenthall; to her grandson, Josh  
2 Siebenthall; to her sister, Jane Forsythe, and her husband, Roger;  
3 to her nieces, Melissa Forsythe, Jennifer Blackwell, and Brenda  
4 Bodin; to her nephew, Roger Forsythe, Jr.; and to her other  
5 relatives and friends; and, be it further

6       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Belva  
9 Siebenthall.