SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 70

In Memory of Thurma G. Rigmaiden

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Houston in mourning the loss of Thurma G. Rigmaiden, who died January 8, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Thurma Rigmaiden was born in Liberty to Elisha and Dora Green; she attended Phillis Wheatley High School and earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Southern University; she was married to L. M. Rigmaiden; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rigmaiden enjoyed a long and fruitful career as a teacher with the Houston Independent School District; she taught first grade for many years at Sanderson and Grimes Elementary Schools and was beloved by her students, many of whom continued to share their lives with her long after they left her classroom; she was a lifetime member of the Texas Retired Teachers Association and the Houston-Harris County Retired Teachers Association; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian who practiced her beliefs in her daily life, she was a longtime and faithful member of Mount Moriah Baptist Church, and she was active in Mount Moriah's Mission I; her enduring wish was for her large and loving extended family to share in the happiness she received from her faith; and

WHEREAS, A woman of grace, courage, and compassion, she gave unselfishly to others, and she will be long remembered for her wisdom, her warmth, and her enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Thurma G. Rigmaiden; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Thurma Rigmaiden.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 28, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate