

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 993

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Bob, Sharon, and Tom Schieffer and their late mother, Gladys Schieffer, for their many outstanding contributions to society; and

WHEREAS, The Schieffer siblings were recently honored with the 62nd Multicultural Alliance Award; based in Fort Worth, the Multicultural Alliance is dedicated to the eradication of prejudice, bias, and oppression; and

WHEREAS, Each of the Schieffer siblings has risen to the upper echelons of his or her chosen profession; these Fort Worth natives have attributed their successes to the loving encouragement and the unwavering high expectations of Gladys Payne Schieffer, who was widowed at the age of 45 and dedicated her life to the advancement of her children's goals; and

WHEREAS, Over the decades, journalist Bob Schieffer has played a vital role in the reporting of innumerable major news events, and he has been the moderator of *Face the Nation* and an anchor on the *CBS Evening News*; and

WHEREAS, Educator and school administrator Sharon Schieffer Mayes was one of the first women to become the principal of a 5A school; the youngest sibling, Tom, has been an attorney, a legislator, and the United States ambassador to Australia and Japan, and he was also the president of the Texas Rangers baseball team; and

WHEREAS, Each of these individuals has spoken poignantly of the influence of their loving mother; Gladys Payne Schieffer was a child of the Depression who had an unassailable work ethic;

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although she was never able to attain a college degree, she ensured that her children had that opportunity, and she ensured that they seized it; indeed, these highly accomplished siblings credit their mother with instilling in them the highest aspirations and a deep desire to make the world a better place; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend Bob, Sharon, Tom, and Gladys Schieffer for their many achievements and for their collective impact on humanity; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of highest esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on May 16, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate