

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss and  
2 celebrating the life of Ruby Mae Turner of Houston, who passed away  
3 on December 21, 2014, at the age of 90; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of Washington County, Mrs. Turner was born  
5 on August 12, 1924; she was joined in matrimony to Eddie Turner, and  
6 in 1954, she and her husband bought a house in the Garden City Park  
7 area of the Acres Homes community; the couple became the parents of  
8 nine treasured children, and they shared a fulfilling marriage  
9 until Mr. Turner's untimely passing in 1968; and

10           WHEREAS, Mrs. Turner worked for many years at the Rice Hotel  
11 in downtown Houston; although she never learned to drive, she  
12 always found a way to get her sons and daughters where they needed  
13 to go, and she absolutely insisted on paying any friend who might  
14 offer a ride; she was completely dedicated to her children and  
15 ensured that all their needs were met; and

16           WHEREAS, After moving to Houston, Mrs. Turner worshipped at  
17 Magnolia Missionary Baptist Church and then at New Bethel  
18 Missionary Baptist Church before joining Mt. Ararat Missionary  
19 Baptist Church; she continued to live in her beloved house on  
20 Stallings Drive, and even when it was being renovated, she firmly  
21 refused to move out, so the contractors were obliged to complete the  
22 project in stages; two of her sons resided with her, and she served  
23 as their legal guardian and handled all of their medical and  
24 financial matters until her health began to decline; when her

1 memory faded, she still liked to join in singing her favorite song,  
2 "This Little Light of Mine," and her children ensured that she could  
3 remain in her home, which was ever her refuge and the gathering  
4 place for her cherished family; and

5 WHEREAS, Ruby Turner inspired others through her fierce  
6 independence and her deep devotion to her family and faith, and she  
7 will forever hold a special place in the hearts of all who were  
8 fortunate enough to know her; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ruby Mae Turner and  
11 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her  
12 children, Pearlie Marie Tyrone, Leon "Mike" Turner and his wife,  
13 Linda, Alfred "Charles" Turner, Patricia Turner, Clifford Turner,  
14 State Representative Sylvester Turner, Robert Turner, Jacqueline  
15 Turner, and Donald Ray Turner; to her stepchildren, Madie Thompson  
16 and Everett Turner; to her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and  
17 great-great-grandchildren; and to her many other relatives and  
18 friends; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
21 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ruby Mae  
22 Turner.

Giddings

Straus	Guerra	Otto
Allen	Guillen	Paddie
Alonzo	Gutierrez	Parker
Alvarado	Harless	Paul
Anchia	Hernandez	Peña
Anderson of Dallas	Herrero	Phelan
Anderson of McLennan	Howard	Phillips
Ashby	Huberty	Pickett
Aycock	Hughes	Price
Bell	Hunter	Raney
Blanco	Isaac	Raymond
Bohac	Israel	Reynolds
Bonnen of Brazoria	Johnson	Riddle
Bonnen of Galveston	Kacal	Rinaldi
Burkett	Keffer	Rodriguez of Bexar
Burns	Keough	Rodriguez of Travis
Burrows	King of Hemphill	Romero, Jr.
Button	King of Parker	Rose
Canales	King of Taylor	Sanford
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Schaefer
Clardy	Klick	Schofield
Coleman	Koop	Shaheen
Collier	Krause	Sheets
Cook	Kuempel	Sheffield
Craddick	Landgraf	Simmons
Crownover	Larson	Simpson
Dale	Laubenberg	Smith
Darby	Leach	Smithee
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Spitzer
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Springer
Deshotel	Lucio III	Stephenson
Dukes	Márquez	Stickland
Dutton	Martinez	Thompson of Brazoria
Elkins	Martinez Fischer	Thompson of Harris
Faircloth	McClendon	Tinderholt
Fallon	Menéndez	Turner of Collin
Farias	Metcalf	Turner of Tarrant
Farney	Meyer	VanDeaver
Farrar	Miles	Villalba
Fletcher	Miller of Comal	Vo
Flynn	Miller of Fort Bend	Walle
Frank	Moody	White of Bell
Frullo	Morrison	White of Tyler
Galindo	Muñoz, Jr.	Workman
Geren	Murphy	Wray
Giddings	Murr	Wu
Goldman	Naishtat	Zedler
Gonzales	Nevárez	Zerwas
González	Oliveira	

H.R. No. 273

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 273 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 3, 2015.

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Chief Clerk of the House