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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 death of Doris Bhael Clements of Hideaway on December 6, 2014, at
3 the age of 100; and

4 WHEREAS, The former Dorothy Bhael was born in Beebe,
5 Arkansas, on July 23, 1914, to Sam and Lola Bhael; she attended
6 Paris Junior College, where she met the love of her life, Ulmon
7 Clements; they were married on May 29, 1937, sharing nearly six
8 decades until his passing in 1996; and

9 WHEREAS, After college, Mrs. Clements became an accomplished
10 dance instructor in Paris and Brownsville, specializing in tap, and
11 she continued to enjoy dancing throughout her life; she and
12 Mr. Clements published newspapers in Carthage and Lewisville for
13 many years, a vocation through which they were afforded the
14 opportunity to meet a number of prominent figures, including
15 General Douglas MacArthur and Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon
16 Johnson; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1972, Mrs. Clements and her husband retired and
18 moved to Hideaway; together they published the city's first
19 newspaper, the *Observer*, and were instrumental in creating the
20 *Hideaway News*; she was active in the community as a charter
21 congregant of Hideaway Lake Community Church as well as a member of
22 several bridge clubs; she also taught water aerobics until the age
23 of 92 and regularly volunteered to aid worthy causes; and

24 WHEREAS, Although Doris Clements is deeply missed, treasured

1 memories of her quick wit and zest for life will long endure in the
2 hearts of her family and friends; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
4 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Doris Bhael
5 Clements and extend sincere condolences to the members of her
6 family: to her nephew, Walter Clements; to her niece, Linda
7 Clements Mathews; and to her other relatives and many friends; and,
8 be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Doris Bhael
12 Clements.