

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Nancy Hamilton was inducted into the Hall of Honor  
2 by the El Paso County Historical Society on November 3, 2013; and

3           WHEREAS, Since 1961, the EPCHS has annually recognized  
4 individuals who have made significant contributions to El Paso  
5 County, and Mrs. Hamilton is most deserving of this important honor  
6 for her accomplishments as a writer, journalist, public relations  
7 professional, and local historian; and

8           WHEREAS, The former Nancy Miller was born in El Paso on August  
9 22, 1929, to Harold and Corinne Miller; she graduated from Austin  
10 High School and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in journalism in  
11 1949 and a master's degree in English in 1954 from The University of  
12 Texas at El Paso; she married Ralph Hamilton in 1968, and became the  
13 proud stepmother of James and Jeannie; and

14           WHEREAS, Mrs. Hamilton began her professional career in  
15 1950, working for the *El Paso Times* for nine years before joining  
16 the El Paso Independent School District; she then returned to  
17 journalism, writing for the *El Paso Herald-Post*, before going to  
18 work at UTEP in 1976, first in media relations and then as the  
19 associate director of Texas Western Press until her retirement in  
20 1990; she remained active as an editor of the press for the next  
21 decade, and in 1997 and 1998 she was a part-time lecturer in public  
22 relations for the UTEP Department of Communication; and

23           WHEREAS, A prolific writer, Mrs. Hamilton wrote numerous  
24 features on local history, which led to the publication of a

1 biography, *Ben Dowell, El Paso's First Mayor*, and *UTEP: A Pictorial*  
2 *History of The University of Texas at El Paso*; she also has  
3 contributed to the revised *Handbook of Texas*, coauthored several  
4 books on Texas and El Paso history, and served as editor for myriad  
5 historical publications; and

6 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to her community, Mrs. Hamilton  
7 has served with a number of noteworthy groups, including the El Paso  
8 County Historical Commission and the Four Centuries '81 Commission;  
9 additionally, she has held leadership roles with such organizations  
10 as the UTEP Heritage Commission and the Pioneers Association of El  
11 Paso County; and

12 WHEREAS, Nancy Hamilton has made many notable contributions  
13 to her community as she has worked to preserve and celebrate its  
14 rich history, and she has earned the lasting respect and  
15 appreciation of her fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
17 Legislature hereby congratulate Nancy Hamilton on her induction  
18 into the Hall of Honor by the El Paso County Historical Society and  
19 extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
21 prepared for Mrs. Hamilton as an expression of high regard by the  
22 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2169

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2169 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House