

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life came to a close with the
2 passing of Dorothy Mary Jones Adams of Houston on December 2, 2014,
3 at the age of 100; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Houston on August 14, 1914, the former
5 Dorothy Jones was the daughter of Albert and Ollie Jones; she
6 graduated from Jeff Davis High School and soon put her typing and
7 shorthand skills to use as a legal secretary for a downtown law
8 firm; and

9 WHEREAS, Introduced to her future husband by a lifelong
10 friend, she married Maurice Adams in Patmos, Georgia, on July 1,
11 1941; the couple were blessed with three children, Donald, Norman,
12 and Shirley, and the family later grew to include six grandchildren
13 and nine great-grandchildren; and

14 WHEREAS, When Mr. Adams was drafted during World War II,
15 Mrs. Adams followed him to the Army Air Force Base in Bainbridge,
16 Georgia, where she found employment as a secretary; after the war,
17 Mr. and Mrs. Adams moved with their children to Houston, and in
18 1947, they opened Adams Insurance Service; Mrs. Adams worked at the
19 agency for more than half a century, continuing after the death of
20 her husband in 1975; and

21 WHEREAS, A woman of abiding faith, Mrs. Adams was a longtime
22 member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Houston; there, she taught
23 Sunday school for more than six decades and raised money at the
24 annual bazaar with her popular hand-sewn doll clothes; she was also

1 a talented poet and artist; and

2 WHEREAS, This capable and caring woman enriched the lives of
3 many during her journey on this earth, and those who shared in the
4 warmth of her love and affection will forever hold her close in
5 their hearts; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Dorothy Mary Jones
8 Adams and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to
9 her sons, Donald Dean Adams and his wife, Francis, and Norman Earl
10 Adams and his wife, Debbie; to her daughter, Shirley Anne Adams
11 Roddenberry, and her husband, Bo; to her grandchildren, Michael
12 Adams and his wife, Susan, Mark Adams and his wife, Missy, Andy
13 Adams and his wife, Amy, Tracy Dacus and her husband, Mark,
14 Stephanie Moore and her husband, Michael, and Jennifer Kegans; to
15 her great-grandchildren, Ashley, Austin, Melissa, Isabella,
16 Benjamin, Samuel, and Livia Adams, and Greg and Jillian Moore; and
17 to her other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 2306

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2306 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 21, 2015.

Chief Clerk of the House