SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 638

In Memory of Fredna Ruth West

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Fredna Ruth West, who died September 28, 2014, at the age of 98; and

WHEREAS, Fredna West was born on September 14, 1916, in Beaumont, to Fred and Mamie Rawlinson; she graduated from Beaumont High School before attending Lon Morris College, which later named her a Distinguished Alumnus; and

WHEREAS, She married Raymond "Doc" West in 1936; their daughter, Patricia, and their grandchildren and great-grandchildren were a source of much pride and joy; and

WHEREAS, She and her husband were long time leaders in the Jacksonville community; they coauthored Jacksonville, Texas Centennial Historical Book 1872-1972 and numerous articles chronicling the area's history; Mrs. West was also responsible for designing and building many of the homes in the Alameda Drive neighborhood during the 1950s; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. West was active in her church and in numerous community and philanthropic organizations, including the Hyperion Club, the Thaddeus Beall Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Utile Dulce, and the Jacksonville Public Library; and

WHEREAS, A woman of grace, strength, and dignity, she gave unselfishly to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten; and

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WHEREAS, Fredna West was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Fredna Ruth West; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Fredna Ruth West.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2015, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate