

By: Davis of Dallas

H.R. No. 365

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of Ruby Lee O'Neal Greene on February 3, 2017, at the age of  
3 90; and

4 WHEREAS, The daughter of Henry and Dovie O'Neal, the former  
5 Ruby O'Neal was born on November 1, 1926, in the town of Eloise in  
6 Falls County; one of 12 children, she grew up in Antioch and met her  
7 future husband, Shellie Tom Greene, while in school; the couple  
8 married in 1946 and became the parents of two sons, Vincent and  
9 Shellie, and four daughters, Dorothy, Dovie, Henretta, and Marilyn;  
10 while raising her family in Odessa, Mrs. Greene encouraged a love  
11 of learning, and they all graduated from college and went on to  
12 professional careers; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Greene adored children and demonstrated an  
14 exceptional commitment to early education; she taught many little  
15 ones in her home and at First Baptist Church Day Care and Odessa  
16 College Day Care; kind, caring, and always willing to help, she  
17 enjoyed cooking for others, and her kitchen was a most welcoming  
18 place; she could be counted on for wise, unstinting advice as well  
19 as a tasty meal, and she was also admired for the elegance of her  
20 attire, which included stiletto heels and stylish hats; and

21 WHEREAS, A woman of deep faith, Mrs. Greene was a valued  
22 member of St. James Baptist Church and served as a deaconess and as  
23 a member of the Missionary Circle and choir; she later joined  
24 Concord Baptist Church while living in Dallas; and

1           WHEREAS, Those fortunate enough to have known Ruby Greene  
2 will remember her warmth, strength of character, and compassion,  
3 and she will forever hold a treasured place in their hearts; now,  
4 therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Ruby Lee O'Neal Greene  
7 and extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her  
8 children, Dorothy Jackson and her husband, David, Shellie Tom  
9 Greene Jr. and his wife, Flora, Dovie Jackson and her husband,  
10 Isaac, Henretta Holmes and her husband, Jerry, and Marilyn Clark;  
11 to her siblings, Velma Sanders, Johnny O'Neal, and Hazel Harden; to  
12 her grandchildren, David, Danese, Tracy, Jerretta, Jerret, Kellee,  
13 Michael, Ranthony, and Vincent; to her 12 great-grandchildren; and  
14 to her other relatives and friends; and, be it further

15           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ruby  
18 Greene.