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H.R. No. 1084

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A full and purposeful life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of C. Maye Neal Strange of Georgetown on January 25, 2017,  
3 at the age of 96; and

4           WHEREAS, The daughter of William and Lorena Dunlap, the  
5 former Clara Maye Dunlap was born on July 23, 1920; she grew up on  
6 her family's ranch near Ozona and graduated from Ozona High School  
7 before attending Texas State College for Women and Baylor  
8 University; following her studies, she returned to Ozona, where she  
9 worked as a reporter for the *Ozona Stockman* and the *Midland*  
10 *Reporter-Telegram*; in 1940, she wed Robert Neal, and they later  
11 built their home and ranching business on the Neal Ranch in  
12 Junction, spending 41 cherished years together until his death in  
13 1981; she remarried in 1988 and went on to enjoy eight years of  
14 marriage to Gwan Strange; and

15           WHEREAS, In addition to ranching, Mrs. Strange also operated  
16 her own women's clothing business, C. Maye's Shoppe, for more than  
17 three decades; she further shared her time and talents with the  
18 community as chair of the First State Bank of Junction board of  
19 directors and as a member of the Daedalian Study Club and the  
20 administrative board of the local First United Methodist Church;  
21 and

22           WHEREAS, Although she will be deeply missed, memories of this  
23 beloved woman will be forever treasured by those who were fortunate  
24 enough to share in the richness of her life; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of C. Maye Neal Strange  
3 and extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of her family: to her  
4 two sons, Robert M. Neal Jr. and his wife, Nancy, and Jon Neal and  
5 his wife, Linda; to her stepson, Joe Strange and his wife, Pam; to  
6 her grandsons, Robert M. Neal III and his wife, Susan, William Neal  
7 and his wife, Lauren, Deric Neal and his wife, Melanie, Jordan Neal  
8 and his wife, Amanda, and Jeffrey Strange; to her six  
9 great-grandchildren; and to her other relatives and friends; and,  
10 be it further

11           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
13 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of C. Maye  
14 Neal Strange.