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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their  
2 memories of Ernestine Holt Bridges of Mesquite, who passed away on  
3 May 20, 2017, at the age of 81; and

4           WHEREAS, The daughter of Ernest and Hattie Dee Holt, the  
5 former Ernestine Holt was born in Blytheville, Arkansas, on August  
6 25, 1935, and grew up with the company of two brothers, Jack and  
7 Robert; in 1971, she was joined in matrimony to Louis E. Bridges  
8 Jr., with whom she enjoyed more than 45 years of marriage; the proud  
9 mother of four children, Martin, Nina, Jennifer, and John, she was  
10 blessed later in life with five grandchildren, Traci, Alexis, Ben,  
11 Beth, and Noah; and

12           WHEREAS, Deeply engaged in her community, Mrs. Bridges was a  
13 Dallas County election judge for more than 20 years, and she served  
14 several terms as president of the PTA; a strong supporter of the  
15 Republican Party, she took on several leadership roles with the  
16 Mesquite Republican Women's Club and held the office of district  
17 director of the Texas Federation of Republican Women; in 2002, she  
18 was named Citizen of the Year by the City of Mesquite, and in 2013,  
19 she was recognized as Volunteer of the Year by the Dallas County  
20 Republican Party; and

21           WHEREAS, A prominent member of the congregation at Sunnyvale  
22 First Baptist Church, Mrs. Bridges especially enjoyed teaching  
23 Bible verses to young people and greeting the children in the  
24 nursery on Sunday mornings, and she was active in the Awana youth

1 ministry program; and

2 WHEREAS, Ernestine Bridges lived a rich and purposeful life  
3 devoted to her family, her community, and her faith, and she leaves  
4 behind a legacy of service to others that will forever inspire all  
5 those who knew and loved her; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ernestine Holt  
8 Bridges and extend heartfelt sympathy to her relatives and her many  
9 friends; and, be it further

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