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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life well lived may help to comfort  
2 those saddened by the passing of Lilia Pena of Hebbroville on May  
3 14, 2017, at the age of 85; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Hebbroville on May 1, 1932, Lilia Pena was  
5 the daughter of Jesus J. and Olivia Cadena Pena; she enjoyed a  
6 40-year tenure with Jim Hogg County, having begun her career as a  
7 typist in the county clerk's office in 1953; she went on to serve as  
8 deputy and chief deputy in that office for many years before being  
9 elected county and district clerk in 1974, and she fulfilled the  
10 duties of that position for five terms until her retirement in 1994;  
11 and

12           WHEREAS, Ms. Pena lovingly raised a daughter, Fantina, and  
13 she also took great pride in her two grandchildren and six  
14 great-grandchildren; a woman of strong faith, she was a lifelong  
15 member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church of Hebbroville and  
16 its affiliated organization, La Sociedad de Josefa Ortiz de  
17 Domínguez; and

18           WHEREAS, Although Lilia Pena is deeply missed, those who were  
19 privileged to share in her love and friendship will forever  
20 remember her with great admiration and affection; now, therefore,  
21 be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lilia Pena and extend  
24 sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to her daughter,

1 Fantina Garcia, and her husband, Victor; to her grandchildren,  
2 Clarissa Sweatt and her husband, Ivan, and Claudia S. Esquivel and  
3 her husband, Gilbert; to her great-grandchildren, Emilio Salinas,  
4 Carina Esquivel, Eden Saenz, Victor M. Garcia III, Elias Saenz, and  
5 Violet Garcia; to her nephews, Jorge A. Pena and his wife, Amalia,  
6 and Javier F. Pena and his wife, Beverly; to her special cousin,  
7 Jovita Montalvo; and to her many other relatives and friends; and,  
8 be it further

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