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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Bertha M. Dorian of Houston is celebrating her 85th
- 2 birthday on March 16, 2019; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The daughter of George and Naomi Normand, the former
- 4 Bertha Normand was born in Beaumont in 1934; she moved to Houston in
- 5 1952, and she met her future husband, Louis Dorian, at Our Mother of
- 6 Mercy Catholic Church; the couple became the parents of four
- 7 children, Shyrel, John Louis, Bridgette, and Tyrone, and they
- 8 adopted two more children, Brenda and Wanda; and
- 9 WHEREAS, After completing her education at Old Taylor School
- 10 of Nursing, Mrs. Dorian worked at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital,
- 11 St. Elizabeth Hospital, and St. Joseph's Hospital before joining a
- 12 private physician's practice; she went on to obtain certification
- 13 in psychiatric social work, and she was employed for 26 years by
- 14 Harris County Mental Health and Mental Retardation; in addition,
- 15 she and her husband were the proud proprietors of C & L Shoe Repair
- 16 in the Fifth Ward; following Mr. Dorian's death in 1991, Tyrone and
- 17 Lillie Dorian helped Mrs. Dorian carry on the business until 2003;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, At the age of 65, this caring woman began raising an
- 20 infant great-granddaughter, Matea Barrett-Dangerfield, and they
- 21 have been inseparable since; her fine family has also grown to
- 22 include five grandchildren and four additional
- 23 great-grandchildren; and
- WHEREAS, For 40 years, Mrs. Dorian sang in the Our Mother of

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- 1 Mercy Gospel Choir, and she has given freely of her time and talents
- 2 to the Northeast Chapter of the Drexler Society; her church
- 3 presented her with its Woman of the Year Service Award, and her
- 4 accolades also include the George Foreman Award for Community
- 5 Service; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Blessed with a devoted family and admiring friends,
- 7 Bertha Dorian is a source of joy and inspiration to all who have the
- 8 great privilege of knowing her and sharing in the richness of her
- 9 life; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Bertha M. Dorian on her 85th
- 12 birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued
- 13 happiness; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Mrs. Dorian as an expression of high regard by the
- 16 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 764 was adopted by the House on March 12, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House