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H.R. No. 1047

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A life dedicated to faith and family drew to a close  
2 with the passing of Mary Evelyn Cooke Patman of Waxahachie on March  
3 20, 2019, at the age of 86; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on August 16, 1932, in Ellis County to Frank and  
5 Una Cooke, the former Mary Cooke grew up as one of 12 children in a  
6 close-knit Christian family; she was joined in matrimony to Donald  
7 Patman on October 20, 1950, and together, they shared in the joy of  
8 raising two adopted children, Steve and Lori; later in life, the  
9 couple experienced the delight of welcoming six grandchildren and  
10 six great-grandchildren into their circle of loved ones; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Patman was a devoted wife and mother and a  
12 woman of many gifts; she was an excellent cook and seamstress, and  
13 she spent numerous hours developing her artistic talents and  
14 creating beautiful paintings; moreover, she was an active member of  
15 the Brown Street Church of Christ in Waxahachie, where her husband  
16 served as an elder, and she supported the congregation by teaching  
17 Bible classes, vacation Bible school, and summer youth camps and by  
18 participating in mission trips; and

19 WHEREAS, Although she is greatly missed, Mary Patman has left  
20 her family and friends with a wealth of cherished memories, and she  
21 will forever hold a special place in their hearts; now, therefore,  
22 be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Mary Evelyn Cooke

1 Patman and extend sincere sympathy to the members of her family: to  
2 her husband, Donald Patman; to her children, Steve Patman and his  
3 wife, Joyce, and Lori Vantreese; to her grandchildren, Dustin  
4 Patman and his wife, Melinda, Stephanie Cochran and her husband,  
5 Andrew, Donald "Chase" Patman and his wife, Ashlei, Lyndsay Cannon,  
6 Cecile Vantreese, and Erin Allen; to her great-grandchildren, Tatum  
7 and Stevey Marshall, Corbett and Piper Cochran, Culver Patman, and  
8 Zane Cannon; to her brothers, Ralph Cooke and his wife, Juanita,  
9 Wendell Cooke and his wife, Marva, and Billy Joe Cooke and his wife,  
10 Evelyn; to her sisters, Larue Dyess and Betty Venable and her  
11 husband, Sonny; and to her many other relatives and friends; and, be  
12 it further

13         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Mary  
16 Patman.