

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 82

In Memory
of
Estela Zamora Kramer

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Laredo in mourning the loss of Estela Zamora Kramer, a beloved community leader, who died December 31, 2018, at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, Estela Kramer began her pioneering service to the Laredo community at the young age of 16, when she was hired as the first female swimming instructor to teach at the Laredo Boys Club; she went on to receive advanced dance training at Texas Woman's University, and in 1963, she was hired by the Laredo Independent School District to develop and direct the physical education department at the new J.W. Nixon High School; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kramer established the school district's first dance team, the J.W. Nixon High School Golden Spurs, which went on to earn national and international acclaim; she also created the Silver Roses dance team at Cigarroa High School, and in 2012, the school district dedicated the Estela Zamora Kramer Gymnasium in her honor; in addition, Mrs. Kramer founded the Washington Birthday Celebration Association Youth Dance Festival; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kramer shared a life of devotion with her husband, the late Walter Harry Kramer Jr., and she was blessed with three children, Betty Kramer, Walter Kramer III, and the late John David Kramer; and

WHEREAS, Estela Kramer was a treasured citizen who made a lasting mark on the Laredo community, and she leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by all who were privileged to share in her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Estela Zamora Kramer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Estela Kramer.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 28, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate