

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 519

In Memory
of
Jewell Joyce Mullis Oney

WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the passing of Jewell Joyce Mullis Oney of Harleton on March 7, 2019, at the age of 100; and

WHEREAS, The daughter of Carl and Jewell Mullis, the former Joyce Mullis was born at home in the Bear Bottom community near Harleton on May 17, 1918; she attended school in Harleton, and after graduating from the College of Marshall with a teaching certificate, she taught first grade in her hometown; she went on to complete her A.B.A. degree at North Texas State Teachers College, and in 1959, she received her master's degree in education from Stephen F. Austin State University; "Miss Joyce" taught for 38 years until her retirement in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to her family, Mrs. Oney was the proud mother of Sue and Ronnie Jones, Jimmy Carl and Jackie Oney, and Joy Oney; through the years, she was blessed with five grandchildren, Kevin and Traci Jones, Debra Spatz, and Holly and Steve Laurel, as well as six great-grandchildren, Kristen and Mark Clifton, Adam and Abby Jones, Kenady Spatz, and Emilie Dondero, and five great-great-grandchildren, Reid, Owen, Halle Kate, and Karis Clifton, and Aubrey Joy Jones; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Oney was a woman of strong faith, and she was a longtime congregant of the Harleton Baptist Church, where six generations of her family have been members; she taught Sunday school and vacation Bible school, and she gave freely of her time and talents to the Training Union and the Woman's Missionary

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Union; in addition, she served as church pianist and sang in the choir and the Harletones; and

WHEREAS, Although Joyce Oney will be deeply missed, the passage of time will never diminish the warmth and kindness that she brought into the lives of all who were fortunate enough to know her; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jewell Joyce Mullis Oney and extend sincere condolences to her loved ones; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Joyce Oney.

Hughes

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 1, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate