SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 530 In Memory of Maye Everette Thompson Darby

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Maye Everette Thompson Darby, who died January 13, 2019, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, Maye Thompson was born on March 30, 1933, in Live Oak, to Willie Thompson Jr. and Margaret Veola Bouldin Thompson; she grew up in Bay City and attended A. G. Hilliard High School before entering Prairie View A&M University at the age of 15; after her graduation, she went on to earn a master's degree from Texas Woman's University; and

WHEREAS, She enjoyed a long and distinguished career as a home economics teacher in Dallas and McKinney public schools; she had a profound impact on the lives of countless students and received numerous honors for her work, including the 1977 Teacher of the Year award at Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. High School; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian who practiced her faith in her daily life, she was a longtime faithful member of Memorial Missionary Baptist Church in Dallas and later of The Potter's House; and

WHEREAS, She and her beloved husband, the late Elson Darby Jr., were blessed with two children, Elson Darby III and Everett Van Brett Darby; her eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, along with the rest of her large and loving extended family, were a source of much pride and joy for her; and

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WHEREAS, A woman of courage, strength, and generosity, she gave unselfishly to others, and her wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by her family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Maye Everette Thompson Darby; 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 Maye Darby.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 2, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate