RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
- 2 passing of Eleanor Clarice Johnson Roe of Austin on September 13,
- 3 2021, at the age of 79; and
- WHEREAS, The daughter of Daisy Lee Monroe and Frank Lawson
- 5 Johnson, the former Eleanor Johnson was born in Austin on May 18,
- 6 1942; a talented artist from an early age, she presented her work in
- 7 an exhibit at Laguna Gloria Art Museum; she also participated in
- 8 numerous extracurricular activities while attending L. C. Anderson
- 9 High School; and
- 10 WHEREAS, On June 6, 1959, she married Rudell Roe Jr., with
- 11 whom she shared a fulfilling union that spanned more than six
- 12 decades; the couple became the proud parents of two children,
- 13 Phyllis Marie and the late Darryl Gerard Roe; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Roe began her career with Tracor, where she
- 15 became the first Black supervisor of advertising and distribution;
- 16 subsequently, she joined Atlanta Life Insurance Company as a
- 17 cashier and bookkeeper, and she went on to serve as an assistant
- 18 cashier officer at Austin National Bank; she was later employed
- 19 with the Texas State Treasury, where she distinguished herself as
- 20 the first Black female division director and served under three
- 21 state treasurers, Ann Richards, Kay Bailey Hutchison, and Martha
- 22 Whitehead, before embarking on a rewarding tenure as the office
- 23 manager for Allergy and Asthma Consultants; and
- 24 WHEREAS, A woman of deep faith, Mrs. Roe was active in

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- 1 several congregations over the years, including Rehoboth Primitive
- 2 Baptist Church and Mt. Zion Baptist Church; in 1996, she and her
- 3 family joined Mount Olive Baptist Church, where she was involved in
- 4 Mission 1, Women in Motion, Mount Olive Senior Saints, and the First
- 5 Impressions Ministry; in her leisure time, she enjoyed bowling and
- 6 going fishing with her husband; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Admired for her kindness, enthusiasm, and
- 8 generosity, Eleanor Roe brightened the world for all who knew her,
- 9 and they will forever hold her close in their hearts; now,
- 10 therefore, be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 12 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of
- 13 Eleanor Clarice Johnson Roe and extend sincere condolences to her
- 14 loved ones; and, be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 16 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Eleanor
- 18 Roe.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 15 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on September 30, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House