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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories of Marta San Miguel, who passed away on February 15, 2020, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, The former Marta Martinez was born in San Antonio on August 24, 1938, to Victoriano and Rosalia Martinez; she was raised with eight siblings, Victoriano, Jesus, Vicente, Guadalupe, Nellie, Nancy, Valentin, and Robert, and she graduated from Sidney Lanier High School in 1956; displaying a strong work ethic from an early age, she tended to cotton fields and was employed as a hotel elevator operator; she went on to attend beauty college and worked for National Hair Experts; and

WHEREAS, Embarking on a career with the City of San Antonio, Mrs. San Miguel became the first woman to serve as EMS collector and as a right-of-way agent; moreover, she held the titles of tax licensing inspector and tax office supervisor, and she was a member of the health department field staff and the San Antonio Model City Commissioner board; a dedicated activist, she filed a federal lawsuit against the city for gender-based discrimination; in later years, she was involved with Las Comandrinas, a group of retired female city employees; and

WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Mrs. San Miguel enjoyed the love and support of her husband, Arturo San Miguel, with whom she shared a rewarding marriage that spanned more than six decades; she was the devoted mother of four children, Arturo, Anthony, Velia, and Simona, and she took great pride in her grandchildren; through the years, she was a valued congregant of Immaculate Conception Church and St. Paul Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Possessed of a warm and generous nature and a joyous zest for life, Marta San Miguel brightened the world for all who knew her, and they will forever hold her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Marta San Miguel and extend sincere condolences to her many relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Marta San Miguel.