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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, A caring and purposeful life drew to a close with the passing of Nina Jo McKinley Baker of Fort Worth on February 14, 2021, at the age of 78; and

WHEREAS, Born in Austin on June 19, 1942, to Lois and James McKinley, the former Nina McKinley grew up with the companionship of a brother, Phillip; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Baker enjoyed a rewarding career as a nurse until her retirement, and she worked as a secretary for former state representative Lon Burnam; highly engaged in her community, she gave generously of her time and talents to the Tarrant County Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, A woman of deep faith, Ms. Baker was a lifelong congregant of the Historic Greater Saint James Missionary Baptist Church in Fort Worth, where she served as a nurse's aide and as a member of the usher board; she was also active in Pride of the South Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Baker shared six decades with her beloved husband, Henry Lionel Baker, and she took great pride in their children, Henry, Wesley, Jason, Stacey, and MaKala; through the years, she had the pleasure of welcoming into her family 18 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren; in addition, she cherished time spent with her "adopted son," Michael Campbell; and

WHEREAS, Nina Baker lived a life that was rich in family, friends, and community service, and those who were privileged to share in her love and affection will forever hold her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby honor the memory of Nina Jo McKinley Baker and extend sincere sympathy to all who mourn her passing; 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 Nina Baker.