H.R. No. 2019

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Hortensia G. Serna of San Diego, Texas, were deeply saddened by her passing on April 12, 2021, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, The former Hortensia Garcia was born to Vidal and Isaura Garcia in San Diego on April 24, 1935; she grew up with the companionship of her brother, Cimitrio, and her sister, Enriqueta, and from an early age, she worked for her father as a bookkeeper; following her graduation from Our Lady of the Lake High School, she went on to earn a bachelor's degree at Our Lady of the Lake College in 1956; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Serna began her career as a teacher at San Diego Junior High School, and she later became a librarian, serving the San Diego Independent School District in that role for nearly 25 years until her retirement in 1990; she worked briefly for Ben Bolt-Palito Blanco ISD before joining La Gloria ISD as a librarian, concluding her tenure in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Active in several professional organizations, Mrs. Serna was a member of the Parent Teacher Association, the Texas State Teachers Association, the Texas Education Agency, and the Beta Pi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma; in addition, she served on the Duval County/San Diego Public Library board and the Duval County Historical Commission; and

WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Mrs. Serna enjoyed the love and support of her husband, Raul, with whom she shared a rewarding union that spanned more than six decades, until his death in 2019; she took great pride in their daughter, Imelda, and with the passing years, she had the pleasure of seeing her family grow to include a grandson, Victor; and

WHEREAS, Although Hortensia Serna is greatly missed, she has left her family and friends with many cherished memories, and she will forever hold a special place 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 Hortensia G. Serna and extend sincere condolences 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 Hortensia Serna.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2019 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 31, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House