

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 passing of Gladys Ruth Looten on March 13, 2021, at the age of 92;
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4 WHEREAS, The fourth of 11 children, the former Gladys Detten
5 was born in Carson County on January 13, 1929, to Leo and Clara
6 Detten; a longtime resident of Panhandle, she graduated from
7 Panhandle High School in 1946, and the following year, she was
8 joined in matrimony to Archie Looten, with whom she shared a
9 rewarding union that spanned 68 years, until his passing in 2016;
10 she became the proud mother of seven children, Kathy, Clara,
11 Teresa, JoAnn, James, Carl, and Dan, and with the passing years, she
12 had the pleasure of seeing her family grow to include numerous
13 grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and

14 WHEREAS, Active in her community, Ms. Looten was a docent at
15 the Carson County Square House Museum, a member of the Liberty Club,
16 and a 4-H leader for many years; moreover, she was a valued
17 parishioner of St. Theresa's Catholic Church, where she served as a
18 member of the parish council, altar society, and diocesan finance
19 council; and

20 WHEREAS, Although Gladys Looten is greatly missed, this
21 beloved woman has left her family and friends with many cherished
22 memories, and she will forever hold a special place in their hearts;
23 now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas

1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Gladys Ruth Looten and
2 extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her
3 daughters, Kathy Krile and her husband, Tom, Clara Lively, Teresa
4 Sarzynski and her husband, Mike, and JoAnn Cox and her husband,
5 Jeff; to her sons, James Looten and his wife, Priscilla, Carl Looten
6 and his wife, Angela, and Dan Looten and his wife, Patricia; to her
7 sisters, Anna Marie Wink, Blanche Koetting, Alice Kuehler, and
8 Irene Lewis and her husband, Ashby; to her brother, Paul Detten, and
9 his wife, Evelyn; to her 17 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren,
10 and 17 godchildren; and to her other relatives and friends; and, be
11 it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gladys
15 Looten.

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H.R. No. 913

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 913 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 8, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House