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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and  
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends  
3 of Elsa Laurel Hernandez of Corpus Christi, who passed away on  
4 December 9, 2020, at the age of 81; and

5           WHEREAS, The daughter of Alfredo and Petra Laurel, the former  
6 Elsa Laurel was born in Oilton on December 29, 1938; she grew up  
7 with seven brothers, Nolberto, Eduardo, Alfredo, Policarpio,  
8 Rumaldo, Abelardo, and Rodolfo, and four sisters, Edna, Evelia,  
9 Elvia, and Elia; she picked cotton at a young age and always had a  
10 strong work ethic; after living in California and Kansas, she  
11 settled in Corpus Christi; she married the love of her life, Edmundo  
12 Hernandez, in Mirando, and they became the parents of five  
13 children, Rene, Juan, Linda, Ambrosio, and Corina; they also raised  
14 one of their 14 grandchildren, Claudia, and their treasured family  
15 later grew to include 10 great-grandchildren and 8  
16 great-great-grandchildren; and

17           WHEREAS, Mrs. Hernandez loved preparing meals for her  
18 family, and with her culinary knowledge and engaging personality,  
19 she eventually embarked on a rewarding career as a restaurant  
20 owner; Crystal Palace became very popular, and she later ran the  
21 Agnes Café for 13 years with great success; in her leisure hours,  
22 she enjoyed travel and large gatherings, and she especially  
23 treasured special moments with the little ones in her family; she  
24 was firm yet generous and always stood ready to help a relative or

1 friend in need; and

2 WHEREAS, Although Elsa Hernandez is deeply missed, those who  
3 held her dear will forever remember the warmth and kindness she  
4 brought into their lives; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Elsa Laurel Hernandez  
7 and extend sincere condolences to her loved ones; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of  
10 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Elsa L.  
11 Hernandez.