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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Hortensia G. Serna of
2 San Diego, Texas, were deeply saddened by her passing on April 12,
3 2021, at the age of 85; and

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

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

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

23 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Mrs. Serna enjoyed the love
24 and support of her husband, Raul, with whom she shared a rewarding

1 union that spanned more than six decades, until his death in 2019;
2 she took great pride in their daughter, Imelda, and with the passing
3 years, she had the pleasure of seeing her family grow to include a
4 grandson, Victor; and

5 WHEREAS, Although Hortensia Serna is greatly missed, she has
6 left her family and friends with many cherished memories, and she
7 will forever hold a special place in their hearts; now, therefore,
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Hortensia G. Serna and
11 extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her passing; and, be it
12 further

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