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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Lou Hooks Wagner, an admired educator and a valued
2 member of the Mineola community, passed away on September 13, 2022,
3 at the age of 83; and

4 WHEREAS, The daughter of Kathleen Russell Hooks and Robert
5 Thomas Hooks Jr., the former Lou Hooks was born in Dallas on October
6 6, 1938; after graduating from Baylor University, she went on to
7 complete a master's degree at East Texas State University; she
8 married Kenneth Wagner and they became the proud parents of two
9 children, Robert and Robin; through the years, her treasured family
10 grew to include four grandchildren, Lacy, Molly, Mitchell, and
11 Lane, as well as three great-grandchildren, Declan, Rowan, and
12 Quinn; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Wagner was employed for many years by her alma
14 mater, Mineola High School; a caring mentor and role model, she
15 taught distributive education and served as the chief financial
16 officer for the Mineola Independent School District before her
17 retirement in 1996; she was recognized as Teacher of the Year and as
18 Outstanding Alumnus, among other honors; and

19 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the betterment of Mineola, Mrs. Wagner
20 served as a member of the city council; during her noteworthy tenure
21 on the board of the philanthropic Meredith Foundation, she served
22 as secretary-treasurer and became its first female chair; she was
23 an enthusiastic supporter of the business community, historic
24 preservation, tourism, and the arts; and

1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Wagner was a member of First Baptist Church in
2 Mineola and of the CU chapter of P.E.O.; in her free time, she
3 enjoyed bowling and playing golf, tennis, and bridge; and

4 WHEREAS, Although Lou Wagner is deeply missed by her family
5 and friends, her contributions to her community remain a lasting
6 source of inspiration to all who were fortunate enough to know her;
7 now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd
9 Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Lou Hooks Wagner
10 and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her passing; 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 Senate adjourns this
14 day, it do so in memory of Lou Hooks Wagner.