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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Tyler celebrated its centennial
- 2 in 2020; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Chartered on May 1, 1920, under the leadership of
- 4 founding president T. H. Shelby, the club still operates under its
- 5 original charter today; its membership of more than 250
- 6 civic-minded individuals met in the Blackstone Hotel for many
- 7 years, and it was popularly known as the Downtown Rotary Club; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The group has demonstrated an exceptional
- 9 commitment to education through the decades, highlighting the
- 10 accomplishments of outstanding seniors from area high schools and
- 11 hosting the annual Young Citizens Club banquet; moreover, it has
- 12 donated funds and provided support to all of the city's major civic
- 13 organizations, among them the Literacy Council of Tyler, the East
- 14 Texas Symphony Orchestra, the Texas Rose Festival, and the Tyler
- 15 Museum of Art; and
- WHEREAS, Recognizing health care needs in the community, the
- 17 Rotarians have made gifts of significant impact to numerous
- 18 organizations, including the Bethesda Health Clinic, the Tyler
- 19 Junior College Robert M. Rogers Nursing & Health Sciences Center
- 20 Dental Clinic, and The University of Texas Health Science Center at
- 21 Tyler; and
- WHEREAS, Guided by the motto "Service Above Self," members of
- 23 the Rotary Club of Tyler have played a vital role in the betterment
- 24 of their community for over a century, earning the deep admiration

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- 1 and appreciation of their fellow citizens; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the 87th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 3 hereby commemorate the centennial of the Rotary Club of Tyler and
- 4 extend to its members sincere best wishes for continued success in
- 5 their important work; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
- 8 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.