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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of Blue Star Mothers of America have
- 2 long rendered exceptional service to families and U.S. military
- 3 personnel; and
- WHEREAS, On January 22, 1942, Army Captain George Maines ran
- 5 an advertisement in the Flint News-Advertiser calling for mothers
- 6 of members of the U.S. armed forces to come together; the following
- 7 month, on February 1, 300 mothers held their first meeting in Flint,
- 8 Michigan, and in 1960, Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc., received
- 9 its charter from the U.S. Congress; a nonpartisan, nonpolitical,
- 10 and nonsectarian organization, BSMA is composed of mothers,
- 11 stepmothers, grandmothers, foster mothers, and female legal
- 12 guardians whose children are serving in the military or who have
- 13 achieved the status of veteran; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Today, at least 10 Texas chapters across the state
- 15 are included in the more than 200 Blue Star Mothers of America
- 16 chapters that represent thousands of military families in the
- 17 United States; among their many contributions, BSMA members ship
- 18 care packages to military personnel who are deployed overseas,
- 19 assist veterans who are experiencing homelessness, visit
- 20 hospitalized veterans, provide support for wounded military
- 21 members, and join together to honor those who have made the ultimate
- 22 sacrifice in defense of our nation; and
- WHEREAS, Committed to supporting our troops, our veterans,
- 24 and the families of those who so bravely serve, Blue Star Mothers of

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- 1 America fosters a community of compassion while promoting
- 2 patriotism and a sense of pride and appreciation for all members of
- 3 the U.S. armed forces; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby commend the Texas chapters of Blue Star Mothers
- 6 of America for their important work and extend to all those
- 7 associated with the chapters sincere best wishes for the future.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 146 was adopted by the House on March 7, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House