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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The *Mineola Monitor* recently won a third-place award
2 in the 2003 Better Newspaper Contest, a competition sponsored by
3 the Texas Press Association to recognize outstanding achievements
4 in journalism and newspaper publishing; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1876, the *Mineola Monitor* has been in
6 continuous service to the Wood County community for more than 125
7 years; providing coverage of local events, schools, sports,
8 businesses, and government, the paper has flourished under the
9 direction of a highly capable team that includes publisher Joyce
10 Hathcock and editor Doris Newman; and

11 WHEREAS, the *Monitor* received third-place honors for feature
12 story writing and presentation in the Division 7 category, which
13 included a total of 26 medium-large weekly newspapers, and earned
14 high marks from the judges for its two submitted feature articles;
15 "Boys and their Toys," written by Gary A. Edwards and designed by
16 David Chenault, was named "a great package of detail-laden
17 vignettes"; Doris Newman's article, "Faith, family and friends keep
18 Mikey and Sheeran family going," featuring paste-up and graphics by
19 Brenda Wheat, chronicled the courage and spirit of a family coping
20 with terminal cancer; and

21 WHEREAS, Newspapers are vital to the development of an
22 informed citizenry, and the staff of the *Mineola Monitor* has made
23 lasting and invaluable contributions to the Mineola community; now,
24 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
2 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the *Mineola*
3 *Monitor* on its award-winning performance in the 2003 Better
4 Newspaper Contest and extend to its staff best wishes for continued
5 success; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for the *Mineola Monitor* as an expression of high regard by
8 the Texas House of Representatives.