

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Texas Cooperative Extension in Tarrant County is  
2 carrying out numerous educational programs to enhance the quality  
3 of life for area citizens; and

4           WHEREAS, In the spring of 1999, local residents gathered at  
5 the Tarrant County Futures Forum to identify issues deserving the  
6 attention of Tarrant County extension; volunteers working with  
7 county extension staff then developed a number of programs to  
8 address the needs highlighted at that gathering; the cycle of  
9 citizen evaluation and program planning begins again in 2003; and

10           WHEREAS, Following the 1999 forum, Tarrant County extension,  
11 often working with community partners, created a number of  
12 effective programs in the areas of health, environmental awareness,  
13 quality developmental activities for youth, and expanded  
14 educational opportunities for youth, adults, and at-risk  
15 populations; and

16           WHEREAS, Contributing to the success of extension programs  
17 are a host of dedicated volunteers and partner institutions; in  
18 2002, in tribute to their exemplary service and support, Tarrant  
19 County extension was pleased to confer its Friend of Extension  
20 Award on Tarrant County College and its Joan South Spirit of  
21 Extension Award on Sheryl Harris; and

22           WHEREAS, Equally essential to the vitality of Tarrant County  
23 Extension are the unit's skilled and devoted staff--its director,  
24 Dr. Joan I. Gillespie, its office manager, Betty George, and its

1 faculty members, Eddie Byrom, Jasmine Chai, Terrance Q. Hollins,  
2 Kenneth Johnson, Jr., Hurley E. Miller, Darlene Myatt, Becca  
3 Robinson, Marian Ross, Dana Tarter, Bernadette Webre, and Dotty  
4 Woodson; and

5 WHEREAS, Two of these staff members have recently won  
6 recognition for their civic involvement; Ms. George was  
7 congratulated by the commissioners court as she graduated from  
8 Tarrant County's Leadership Development program, and Ms. Chai was  
9 presented the Outstanding Community Leader Award from the Tarrant  
10 County Asian American Chamber of Commerce; and

11 WHEREAS, Tarrant County extension staff, volunteers, and  
12 partners are enriching the lives of countless area residents and  
13 helping to build a community that can meet the challenges of the  
14 21st century; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
16 hereby honor all those involved with Texas Cooperative Extension in  
17 Tarrant County for their exemplary service to their fellow citizens  
18 and convey to them sincere best wishes for success in their future  
19 endeavors.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 179 was adopted by the House on May 10, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 179 was adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor