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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The citizens of Austin lost a devoted civic volunteer and much admired individual with the passing of Alice Louise Roberts Foster on November 12, 2002, at the age of 78; and WHEREAS, A native of Boone, Iowa, where she was born on

WHEREAS, A native of Boone, Iowa, where she was born on September 13, 1924, Mrs. Foster was a longtime resident of Oak Hill who joyfully dedicated her time and energy to her family and to the residents of the greater community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Foster touched the lives of countless individuals through her myriad volunteer efforts, which focused especially on children's literacy, Austin's SafePlace for battered women and their children, the Oak Hill Business and Professional Association, and the Republican Party; in recognition of her quarter-century of civic contributions, she was named a Yellow Rose of Texas by the governor of the state; and

WHEREAS, A leader in Texas Republican politics, she served the Oak Hill community for 15 years as a precinct chair and precinct judge and held several offices in the Texas Federation of Republican Women; for her notable efforts, she was honored at the organization's 1990 state convention as one of 10 outstanding Republican women; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Foster was also involved with the National Federation of Republican Women and was selected as a delegate to several local, state, and national Republican conventions; in 2000, she and her husband were honored as Travis County Republican

- 1 Volunteers of the Year; and
- WHEREAS, Married to Colonel James E. Foster for more than 55
- 3 years, this lovely lady accompanied her husband to many locations
- 4 within this country as well as overseas during his 30-year military
- 5 career, and she created a restful, loving home for her family
- 6 wherever they were stationed; and
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Foster's interests included genealogy, playing
- 8 bridge, collecting elephant replicas, gardening, and making gifts
- 9 of crocheted items that she created; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Throughout her life, Louise Foster demonstrated a
- 11 deep commitment to her family and her community, and those who were
- 12 privileged to share her love and friendship will forever treasure
- 13 her memory; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Alice Louise Roberts
- 16 Foster and extend sincere sympathy to her husband, Colonel James E.
- 17 Foster; to her children, Anita Louise Beard, Anna Kathleen Stern,
- 18 Patricia Allene Foster, and James Christopher Foster; to her
- 19 sister, Carol Saad; to her grandchildren; and to her other
- 20 relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for the members of her family and that when the Texas House
- of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alice
- 24 Louise Roberts Foster.