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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In conjunction with Black History Month, the San 2 Antonio Express-News has recognized Joyce D. Sowells of the Alamo 3 City as an Unsung Hero for her many contributions to the community; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, A longtime dance instructor for African-American 6 debutantes, Ms. Sowells teaches valuable skills such as etiquette, 7 time management, poise, and self-assurance; for more than 40 8 years, this admirable woman has been developing the confidence of 9 young black women across San Antonio; and

10 WHEREAS, In addition to her work with debutantes, Ms. Sowells 11 has directed the YMCA's Y Teen program, served as a public school 12 instructor and principal, and worked with President Lyndon 13 Johnson's poverty program; she has campaigned for better racial 14 understanding in countless ways; and

15 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to her community, Ms. Sowells has 16 made a positive and lasting difference in the lives of many, and she 17 truly deserves to be recognized as a hero; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 19 Legislature hereby congratulate Joyce D. Sowells of San Antonio on 20 being named an Unsung Hero by the *San Antonio Express-News* and 21 commend her for her outstanding contributions to her community; 22 and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 24 prepared for Ms. Sowells as an expression of high regard by the

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 380 was adopted by the House on April 3, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House