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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In conjunction with Black History Month, the *San*
2 *Antonio Express-News* has recognized Joyce D. Sowell 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. Sowell 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. Sowell
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. Sowell 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. Sowell 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. Sowell as an expression of high regard by the

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1 Texas House of Representatives.