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H.R. No. 660

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pat George Mitchell has greatly benefited her
2 community for the past 30 years through her roles as founder of the
3 Longview Ballet Theatre and devoted teacher; and

4 WHEREAS, Ms. Mitchell's unparalleled dedication to the
5 dancers who have studied with her has truly enhanced the world of
6 fine arts within Longview and the East Texas region; and

7 WHEREAS, Students who have studied under her creative
8 direction have gone on to train and perform with the Martha Graham
9 Company of New York and the New York City Ballet, have traveled to
10 Russia for further study, and have received the prestigious Ford
11 Foundation Scholarship; those who have returned to their former
12 community serve as an inspiration to the young dancers of the
13 Longview Ballet Theatre; and

14 WHEREAS, Under her expert direction and inspired by her
15 unwavering support, Ms. Mitchell's talented ballet enthusiasts
16 have through the years delivered stunning performances rich with
17 personal messages and symbolism; their musical accompaniment has
18 included a diverse selection from such audience favorites as
19 Rossini's "Overture" to *The Barber of Seville*, *The Phantom of the*
20 *Opera*, *Annie*, and *West Side Story*, as well as pieces by composer
21 Aaron Copland; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
23 Legislature hereby commend Pat George Mitchell for her unwavering
24 commitment to the Longview Ballet Theatre over the course of the

1 past three decades and extend to her and the company warmest best
2 wishes for continued success in all future endeavors; and, be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for Ms. Mitchell as an expression of high regard by the
6 Texas House of Representatives.