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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Since 1948, the members of Beta Sigma Phi have
2 recognized women for their accomplishments and their contributions
3 to the community, and they will continue this tradition on March 23
4 when they name Evelyn Pitts the 2003 First Lady of Waxahachie; and

5 WHEREAS, The wife of State Representative Jim Pitts and a
6 native of Waxahachie, Mrs. Pitts is following in the footsteps of
7 her mother, Frances Eastham, and grandmother, Lena Peters, both of
8 whom also received the special honor of being named First Lady of
9 Waxahachie; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Pitts graduated from Waxahachie High School and
11 earned a bachelor's degree in business from Southern Methodist
12 University; she married Jim Pitts, a fellow SMU student whom she met
13 in a bowling class, and the couple settled in Waxahachie in 1971 to
14 raise their family; and

15 WHEREAS, Long dedicated to serving her community, she has
16 held leadership positions on the Baylor/Ellis County Hospital Board
17 of Directors, the Waxahachie Foundation, the HOPE Clinic Board of
18 Directors, and the Ellis County Museum Board, as well as with
19 numerous other organizations; she is a member of the Ellis County
20 Republican Women and the Texas Legislative Wives Club and will
21 chair the 2003 Easter Egg Hunt to be held at the Governor's Mansion;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, The proud mother of three children, Duffy, Ashley,
24 and Ryan, she has also devoted much time to supporting her children

1 and the youth of her community in their educational and
2 extracurricular activities; she has participated in parent-teacher
3 organizations and served as a room mother, a team sponsor for
4 pee-wee football cheerleaders, and an active member of the Pi Beta
5 Phi and SMU mothers' clubs; and

6 WHEREAS, Despite her demanding schedule as a parent, wife,
7 and community leader, this tireless individual still finds time for
8 her own interests, and she is a member of the Heirloom Club, the
9 Friday Book Club, and the Gardener's Limited Garden Club; and

10 WHEREAS, For many years Evelyn Pitts has contributed her
11 vision, time, and talents to the betterment of her community, and
12 she may reflect with pride on the significant role she has played in
13 making her hometown such a wonderful place to live; now, therefore,
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
16 Legislature hereby commend Evelyn Pitts on her outstanding record
17 of community service and congratulate her on her selection as First
18 Lady of Waxahachie for 2003; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Mrs. Pitts as an expression of high regard by the Texas
21 House of Representatives.