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RESOLUTION WHEREAS, Nancy Grisham was recently named the 2003 First Lady 1 2 of Kilgore by Beta Sigma Phi sorority in recognition of her many 3 years of outstanding service to her community, and this is a fitting tribute to a woman who has devoted so much of her life to making the 4 5 city of Kilgore a better place in which to live, learn, and raise a family; and 6 7 WHEREAS, Born and raised in Johnson County, this distinguished Texan graduated from the Godley School before 8 attending Texas Wesleyan University, where she earned a degree in 9 10

education in 1961, and Stephen F. Austin University, where she completed her master's degree and administration certification; over the course of a successful 33-year career with the Kilgore Independent School District, she served as both teacher and

14 principal of Chandler Elementary School, as well as assistant

15 superintendent of the school district; and

WHEREAS, Now leading an active retirement with her husband, Gail Grisham, Mrs. Grisham has given generously of her time and resources to support countless local charitable and civic organizations, including Junior Achievement, Laird Memorial Hospital, the United Way Budget Committee, and the Kilgore College Capital Improvement Fund; in addition, she is currently serving as cochair of the survivors' lap of the Kilgore Relay for Life, a

fund-raising event benefiting the fight against cancer; and

WHEREAS, The compassion and commitment that Mrs. Grisham 24

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- 1 displays in every aspect of her life is a true inspiration to all
- 2 those who have been privileged to know her over the years, and her
- 3 work as an educator, administrator, and civic leader is deserving
- 4 of our most profound admiration and respect; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate Nancy Grisham on being named the
- 7 2003 First Lady of Kilgore and extend to her warmest best wishes for
- 8 continued success and happiness in her future endeavors; and, be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Mrs. Grisham as an expression of high regard by the
- 12 Texas House of Representatives.