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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The community of North Dallas is a better place
because of the commitment and hard work of one determined citizen,
Edith Tyloch; and

WHEREAS, A North Dallas resident since 1970, Ms. Tyloch began her fight to reclaim her community when she initiated a take-back-the-neighborhood campaign in 1987 to combat crime and property code violations; over the years, her tireless efforts have resulted in improved cooperation between police and the community, safer neighborhoods, and an improved quality of life for area residents; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1987, Ms. Tyloch led the creation of a local Crime 12 Watch program; two years later police established a storefront in 13 the Spring Valley/Coit shopping center and began holding an annual 14 safety fair in the area; moreover, in 1989, the Neighborhood 15 Service Council opened at Spring Valley United Methodist Church, 16 providing a facility for young people to safely gather and to 17 participate in after-school programs; and

18 WHEREAS, The movement to improve conditions in the neighborhood took another bold step in 1993 when activists, led by 19 Ms. Tyloch, formed the Richardson and North Dallas Coalition 20 21 (RANDCO) to address overall problems in the area; Ms. Tyloch was 22 elected president, and RANDCO went to work forcing absentee landlords to keep their properties within code requirements and 23 24 making numerous other positive changes in the community, including

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H.R. No. 894 1 the opening of Cottonwood Trail in 2000 and the development of 2 Cottonwood Park; and

3 WHEREAS, Since 2001, Ms. Tyloch has continued working in 4 behalf of North Dallas residents by helping the City of Dallas to 5 secure local matching funds for the Spring Valley/Coit Road 6 Pedestrian Project; and

7 WHEREAS, The remarkable achievements of one determined 8 individual refusing to accept the status quo has made Ms. Tyloch an 9 inspiration to her fellow Texans and a source of great pride to the 10 city of Dallas; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 12 Legislature hereby honor Edith Tyloch for her many valuable 13 contributions to North Dallas and extend to her warmest best wishes 14 for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 894 was adopted by the House on May 16, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House