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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On June 15, 2003, residents of the Alamo City will
2 mark an important occasion in the history of their community when
3 they celebrate the 100th anniversary of the San Antonio Public
4 Library; and

5 WHEREAS, The city's first free public library, Carnegie
6 Library of San Antonio, was established in 1903; funded by a \$50,000
7 grant from Andrew Carnegie, it was built on land donated by Caroline
8 Kampmann and originally housed some 7,500 books; and

9 WHEREAS, Since that time, the San Antonio Public Library has
10 experienced tremendous growth; the library system now comprises the
11 Central Library in downtown San Antonio, 19 auxiliary branches in
12 the surrounding communities, and a bookmobile program that serves
13 areas throughout Bexar County; and

14 WHEREAS, Continually evolving to meet the changing needs of
15 its patrons, this exemplary institution offers a variety of unique
16 services, including access to Spanish Internet computers, a
17 Books-by-Mail service for residents who are homebound, and a
18 Teacher's Card for educators and day-care providers who need to
19 borrow large numbers of books for classroom use; and

20 WHEREAS, The San Antonio Public Library has served as an
21 intellectual beacon to generations of Texans during its first
22 century of service, and it will undoubtedly strive to maintain this
23 tradition of excellence in the years to come; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby recognize the 100th anniversary of the San
2 Antonio Public Library and extend sincere best wishes for its
3 continued success; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for prominent display at the San Antonio Public Library as
6 an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.