SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 922

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dianne Thompson on the occasion of her nomination for president of the National Federation of Republican Women; and

WHEREAS, Since January of 2002, Dianne has been serving as the national organization's first vice president, the highest position thus far to be held by a Texan; if she is successful in her bid to become president, she will become the first Texan to hold the prestigious position; and

WHEREAS, The National Federation of Republican Women is one of the largest and most influential women's political organizations in the country; the grassroots organization has 100,000 members and 1,800 unit clubs nationwide; founded in 1938, it provides a collective and powerful force through which women can advance in political access and participation; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure with the Federation of Republican Women, Dianne has held a number of leadership positions in both the state and national organizations, and she has received numerous awards for her contributions, including 10 Outstanding Republican Women awards and the Tribute to Women award from the Texas Federation; and

WHEREAS, In the Texas Federation of Republican Women, Dianne has served as president, first vice president, vice president of bylaws, and vice president of Campaign Activities; she was successful in implementing the state's Campaign Management Schools and has served as a delegate to the organization's conventions since the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, For the National Federation, Dianne has served as fourth vice president, as chair of the Campaign Committee, and as a member of the 1997 Nominating Committee; her responsibilities have included serving as the Republican National Committee coordinator for the Team Leader Program and helping to compose policies and procedures for the National Federation's Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dianne has held leadership positions in more than 25 campaigns both statewide and nationally, and she is an exemplary model for all who wish to have a significant role in the political process; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend Dianne Thompson for her outstanding contributions to the role of women in politics and extend to her congratulations on her nomination as president of the National Federation of Republican Women; and, be it further

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 ${\tt RESOLVED}$, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 21, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate