By: McClendon H.R. No. 287

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The PALS Social Club in San Antonio marked the

2 milestone of its 80th anniversary on December 18, 2005; and

3 WHEREAS, The club was founded in 1925 by Vivian Lowery

Vincent and three friends, who coined the group's name from the

motto "Pleasant Attitude Toward Life"; dedicated to providing young

African American women with positive role models, as well as

7 promoting social and civic awareness, cultural dignity, pride, and

8 a sense of self, PALS hosted its first debutante presentation ball

in 1927, and the event has since become a treasured tradition that

continues to this day; and

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11 WHEREAS, Through the years, the members of PALS have upheld

the worthy ideals set forth by the organization's founders, setting

a sterling example of civic engagement and leadership; their many

good works have earned them not only the respect of the community

they serve, but recognition from the United Negro College Fund and

the National Council of Negro Women; and

17 WHEREAS, For eight decades, the women of PALS have

contributed greatly to the vitality of San Antonio's African

19 American community, and the club will undoubtedly continue to

impact the lives of countless young Texans for years to come; now,

21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

23 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate all those

24 associated with PALS Social Club on the organization's 80th

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- 1 anniversary and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future;
- 2 and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for the PALS Social Club as an expression of high regard by
- 5 the Texas House of Representatives.