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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On December 31, 2005, Cleo Greer of Mineola
2 celebrated her 84th birthday alongside family members and friends,
3 each of whom has been blessed by her love, warmth, and kindness; and

4 WHEREAS, Known to her family and friends as "Hawkins," Mrs.
5 Greer was born in that small Piney Woods community in 1921 and grew
6 up in the nearby farming town of Fouke; she lettered in basketball
7 and was a star player for her high school team, which gained
8 recognition as the first to defeat a collegiate basketball team;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Following her marriage to Matthew Greer in 1941, the
11 couple moved to Mineola, where they have been valued residents for
12 more than half a century; Mrs. Greer spent many years as a
13 homemaker, raising her four beloved children, Cleottice, Matthew,
14 Ruby, and Ronald; and

15 WHEREAS, Mrs. Greer eventually lent her famous culinary
16 skills to McFarland High School, where she was employed for many
17 years as a cook; McFarland alumni still recall her famous peanut
18 butter cookies and peach cobbler, the latter of which today makes
19 regular appearances at the McFarland Community Center to the
20 delight of all; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Greer later decided to pursue her lifelong
22 dream of becoming a nurse, and with perseverance and determination,
23 she earned her certification as an LVN; she went on to work at
24 Mineola General Hospital, where the kindness and generosity she

1 bestowed on her patients are still remembered; and

2 WHEREAS, Now retired, Mrs. Greer stays busy with her weekly
3 quilting circle and bingo games and enjoys visits with her
4 cherished family, which has grown to include son-in-law Eddie and
5 daughter-in-law Danice, along with eight grandchildren, 11
6 great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild; and

7 WHEREAS, Cleo Greer is an inspiration to all those fortunate
8 enough to share in the richness of her life, and her 84th birthday
9 provides a welcome opportunity to honor her; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
11 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Cleo Greer on
12 her 84th birthday and extend to her best wishes for continued
13 happiness; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Mrs. Greer as an expression of high regard by the Texas
16 House of Representatives.