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H.R. No. 943

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For her dedication to historical preservation,
2 Eliza Bishop has received the Crockett Area Chamber of Commerce
3 Citizen of the Year Award; and

4 WHEREAS, A former news commentator and editor of the local
5 newspaper, Ms. Bishop has been active in promoting tourism and
6 historical development in Houston County since 1937; and

7 WHEREAS, A native of Crockett, this remarkable woman has
8 secured more than 265 historical markers for the county by writing
9 articles, documenting sites, attending meetings, and dispensing
10 literature that describes the unique history of this region of the
11 Lone Star State; and

12 WHEREAS, Born in June 1920, Ms. Bishop graduated from
13 Crockett High School and the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and
14 also studied at the University of Indiana, Ohio State University,
15 The University of Texas, and Texas A&M University; during the
16 course of her education, she developed a deep reverence for the
17 past, which prompted a lifelong commitment to preserving her
18 hometown's legacy; and

19 WHEREAS, The Houston County Historical Commission has
20 benefited from her unique insights and breadth of knowledge, and
21 the David Crockett Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas
22 owes its existence to Ms. Bishop's initiative; a lifetime member of
23 the National Trust for Historic Preservation, she has served as
24 president of Texas Press Women and has been recognized by the Texas

1 Historical Foundation for her work with the Texas Heritage Project;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Bishop has received numerous honors for her
4 dedication to community service, including the John Ben Shepperd
5 County Historical Commission Leadership Award from the Texas
6 Historical Commission, the Distinguished Service Award from the
7 American Heart Association, and the Woman of Achievement award from
8 Texas Press Women; and

9 WHEREAS, The strength and vitality of our communities depend
10 on the enthusiastic commitment of individuals like Eliza Bishop,
11 who has contributed to the education of countless Texans through
12 her work to ensure a lasting record of the contributions of Houston
13 County in the annals of history; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
15 Legislature hereby congratulate Eliza Bishop on her receipt of the
16 Crockett Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award and
17 commend her for her lifelong dedication to preserving the area's
18 rich history; and, be it further

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