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H.C.R. No. 119

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Kathryn Bailey Allen, a longtime resident of Tyler,  
2 is celebrating her 90th birthday on March 4, 2007, and this  
3 significant milestone offers a welcome opportunity to recognize  
4 this esteemed Texan; and

5           WHEREAS, Born to Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Bailey on March 4, 1917,  
6 in Chisholm, the former Kathryn Bailey moved with her family to  
7 Tyler in 1930, where her father entered into private medical  
8 practice and cofounded Mother Frances Hospital; and

9           WHEREAS, Following her graduation from Tyler High School in  
10 1934, Mrs. Allen studied elementary education at The University of  
11 Texas and earned her bachelor's degree in 1938; and

12           WHEREAS, She married George Bolten Allen on August 10 of the  
13 following year, and the devoted couple enjoyed 54 years together,  
14 until his passing in 1993; a schoolteacher and a clinical  
15 assistant, Mrs. Allen supported her husband, who had been an Army  
16 Air Corps medic, as he completed medical school and his internship  
17 and residency at Charity Hospital in New Orleans; returning to  
18 Tyler in 1947, Dr. Allen entered into private practice and Mrs.  
19 Allen continued to serve others by joining the Smith County Medical  
20 Society Auxiliary, now known as the Smith County Medical Alliance;  
21 still active in the organization today, she was instrumental in  
22 founding its book fair, which has raised nearly \$500,000 for  
23 nursing scholarships, and her impassioned advocacy for the program  
24 earned her the first ever Golden Heart award in recognition of her

1 outstanding community service; and

2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Allen has volunteered with numerous other  
3 worthy organizations, including the Salvation Army, People  
4 Attempting to Help, Goodwill Industries, Meals on Wheels, the  
5 Junior League of Tyler, and United Methodist Women; she is a valued  
6 congregant of Marvin United Methodist Church, where she has  
7 worshipped for more than 75 years; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Allen is a source of great wisdom and joy to her  
9 family, which today includes two children, four grandchildren, and  
10 two great-grandchildren, and her ongoing support and service to  
11 those in need continues to inspire all who are fortunate enough to  
12 know her; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas  
14 hereby congratulate Kathryn Bailey Allen on the joyous occasion of  
15 her 90th birthday and extend to her warmest best wishes for  
16 continued happiness; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for Mrs. Allen as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
19 House of Representatives and Senate.