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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Society Colonial Dames XVII 2 Century are convening in Corpus Christi on March 8-10, 2007, for 3 their 69th annual conference; and

WHEREAS, State President Sandra Cook Bassett has chosen "Love 4 5 of Learning" as the theme for her administration, and the through 6 organization is implementing that theme college scholarships and book donations; some 1,400 Texas women belong to 7 the 41 state chapters of the National Society Colonial Dames XVII 8 Century, a nonprofit patriotic organization whose members trace 9 their ancestry to colonial America before 1701; the society's 10 primary objectives include preserving records and historic sites, 11 12 promoting interest in colonial heritage, providing scholarships, 13 and maintaining a public library in Washington, D.C., that 14 specializes in 17th-century colonial history; and

15 WHEREAS, State conference attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities hosted by 16 chapters located in Corpus Christi, Kingsville, Victoria, and the 17 Rio Grande Valley; tours of Heritage Park and the Corpus Christi 18 Museum of Science and History will be among the event highlights, 19 along with a breakfast at which more than 100 large-print books and 20 21 books on tape will be donated to the new library of the South Texas 22 Lighthouse for the Blind; moreover, Dr. Robert Wooster, professor of history at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, will lecture on 23 the topic of "Colonial Dreams of Corpus Christi"; and 24

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1 WHEREAS, The Texas Society Colonial Dames XVII Century is 2 dedicated to preserving colonial heritage for the benefit of 3 current and future generations, and its 2007 conference provides a 4 fitting opportunity to commend its members for their noteworthy 5 efforts; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 7 Legislature hereby recognize all those affiliated with the 69th 8 annual conference of the Texas Society Colonial Dames XVII Century 9 and extend to them best wishes for a rewarding and enjoyable event; 10 and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the 13 Texas House of Representatives.

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