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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 75th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly
2 cause for celebration, and on September 4, 2006, Betty Joan
3 Guilmenot Green of San Antonio observed this special milestone; and

4 WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of the Alamo City, Mrs. Green
5 was born in 1931 to Richard Arthur and Millie Evers Guilmenot; she
6 graduated from Phillis Wheatley High School in 1948 and furthered
7 her education at St. Philip's College and Huston-Tillotson College;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Married to William Terrell Green in September 1950,
10 she became a stay-at-home mother when she and her husband had their
11 three children, Dianne Yvonne, Stephen Terrell, and Michael Lloyd;
12 active outside the home in the PTA and an auxiliary for African
13 American military wives, she also drew on her considerable talent
14 as a seamstress and clothing designer to start a successful
15 home-based business; and

16 WHEREAS, Mrs. Green was the first African American woman to
17 provide interior design services at Jorries, a major home
18 furnishings store, and she later enjoyed successful employment at
19 Honniblooms and at San Antonio's first African American social
20 service agency, the Ella Austin Community Center; before her
21 retirement in 2004, she returned to the field of design and worked
22 at Dianne Flack Interiors, where her clientele included individuals
23 from throughout South Texas; and

24 WHEREAS, While the demands of a successful career and raising

1 a family are many, Mrs. Green has always managed to give back to the
2 community she is proud to call home; the first president of the
3 Carver Community Cultural Center Carver Development Board, she now
4 holds the distinction of being its president emeritus; moreover,
5 she has chaired the board of trustees of St. Paul United Methodist
6 Church and today is a valued member of the church's women's book
7 club and the St. Paul Area Community Development Corporation board
8 of directors; and

9 WHEREAS, Betty Green's creativity, her outstanding
10 organizational skills, and her generosity of spirit make her an
11 inspiration to all who are privileged to know her, and it is indeed
12 a pleasure to join her friends, family, and many admirers in
13 recognizing her on 75 years of life well lived; now, therefore, be
14 it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Betty Joan Guilmenot Green on her
17 75th birthday and extend to her best wishes for continued
18 happiness; and, be it further

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