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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The hard work of Keep Katy Beautiful has been 2 recognized with a 2007 Governor's Community Achievement Award 3 (GCAA), one of nine announced on May 22, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Keep Katy Beautiful is affiliated with Keep Texas Beautiful, a nonprofit organization with 340 affiliates around the state that are devoted to environmental and community improvement; the annual GCAA winners are chosen by Keep Texas Beautiful and receive a share of \$1 million provided by the Texas Department of Transportation for state right-of-way landscaping projects; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1993, Keep Katy Beautiful this year sponsored a number of successful projects and events, including the Paint-a-Can Project, a plastic bottle recycling program at Katy High School football games, the Plant a Flower Day and Arbor Day partnership with Hutsell Elementary School and Wal-Mart, and the annual Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off; and

WHEREAS, Along with the 2007 GCAA, the group has also been recognized this year with the President's Circle Award from Keep America Beautiful, the Gold Star Affiliate Award from Keep Texas Beautiful, and the Keep Texas Beautiful Lifetime Achievement Award for member Kay Callender; and

WHEREAS, Keep Katy Beautiful is ably led by Chairman Sandy Schmidt, Vice Chairman Kay Callender, Secretary Jamie Wolman, and board members Albert Thompson, Sharon Rhoads, Patti Hanson, Debbie Berger, Kathy Wiesner, Elaine Lutringer, Dixie McDonald, and

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- 1 Jacalyn Warner; the group has enjoyed the support of Katy mayors and
- 2 many city council members throughout its existence and also
- 3 receives outstanding assistance from Katy parks director Jennifer
- 4 Archer and the Public Works Department; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Through their exceptional vision and tireless
- 6 efforts, the members of Keep Katy Beautiful have contributed
- 7 immeasurably to enhancing the physical environment of their city,
- 8 and the fruits of their efforts will give pleasure to their fellow
- 9 citizens for years to come; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby congratulate Keep Katy Beautiful for winning a
- 12 2007 Governor's Community Achievement Award and extend to the group
- 13 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Keep Katy Beautiful as an expression of high regard by
- 16 the Texas House of Representatives.