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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Angleton Danbury Medical Center
2 Auxiliary are celebrating the organization's 40th anniversary
3 during 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, Six women from the Second Baptist Church founded the
5 auxiliary in 1969, after hearing of plans to build a local hospital;
6 members of the original all-female group, known as the "Ladies in
7 Blue" for their blue pinstripe pinafores and matching caps, were
8 responsible for staffing the information desk, operating the
9 switchboard, and working as floor hostesses; and

10 WHEREAS, Today more than 300 men and women belong to the
11 auxiliary, with at least half of them serving as regular
12 volunteers; they work in all areas of the hospital and also offer
13 rides to and from the parking lot by golf cart; and

14 WHEREAS, In addition to carrying out their day-to-day work,
15 members raise money to help pay for hospital equipment and other
16 items; over the last four decades, they have collected more than \$1
17 million through gift shop sales, hospital vending machines, bake
18 sales, and an annual benefit concert; moreover, the auxiliary
19 provides six college scholarships for local youth; and

20 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the health of the community, the
21 auxiliary works with the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center to
22 sponsor monthly blood drives; these events have been recognized
23 numerous times for the high numbers of donations they are able to
24 collect, averaging 100 each month; and

1 WHEREAS, Special recognition is due for charter members who
2 have maintained their affiliation with the group since the
3 beginning; these include Helen Brittian, Lula Clark, Wanda DuBose,
4 Beth Duncan, Jackie Fletcher, Patsy Lawson, Sara McDaniel, Frances
5 McDuff, Jean Mottesheard, Dorothy Jane Neal, Gayle Parsons, Bobbye
6 Peltier, Frances Tomlin, Betty Rose Wollam, and Gina Wollam; and

7 WHEREAS, For 40 years, the Angleton Danbury Medical Center
8 Auxiliary has exemplified the hospital's motto, "Friends and
9 neighbors caring for friends and neighbors," and the outstanding
10 efforts of its members, both past and present, are indeed worthy of
11 commendation; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
13 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor the 40th anniversary
14 of the Angleton Danbury Medical Center Auxiliary and extend to all
15 those associated with the organization sincere best wishes for
16 continued success; and, be it further

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