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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Katy-based publisher *absolutely! Magazines* has  
2 been honored with a 2007 Keep Texas Beautiful Media Award; and

3           WHEREAS, This accolade recognizes *absolutely! Magazines* for  
4 its continued support of community beautification through its  
5 publications, *absolutely! Katy* and *absolutely! Memorial*, and the  
6 company was also honored for its Spring 2007 "Green" issue, which  
7 focused on environmental concerns; moreover, *absolutely! Magazines*  
8 has been a tireless champion of the Keep Katy Beautiful  
9 organization, and its advocacy has helped spread awareness of that  
10 group's environmental efforts; and

11           WHEREAS, Established in 2004 by publisher Beth Nightingale,  
12 *absolutely! Magazines* is dedicated to serving the vital interests  
13 of the Greater Katy area and strengthening its sense of community;  
14 editor-in-chief Claudia Richter and the staff of the publications  
15 focus on topics of interest to local residents and have dedicated  
16 themselves to promoting important civic initiatives such as  
17 boosting voter participation in elections; in addition, the company  
18 undertakes worthy service projects, including the annual Christmas  
19 dinner it provides to the residents of the Krause Children's  
20 Center, and *absolutely! Magazines* has also given nearly \$100,000 in  
21 cash and in-kind donations to local nonprofit organizations; and

22           WHEREAS, An enterprise that serves its community in numerous  
23 ways, *absolutely! Magazines* has deftly chronicled the people,  
24 history, and economic development of the Katy area, and its

1 positive journalism and the selfless actions of its staff have been  
2 of great benefit to area citizens; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
4 Legislature hereby congratulate absolutely! Magazines on its  
5 receipt of a 2007 Keep Texas Beautiful Media Award and commend all  
6 associated with the company for their fine work; and, be it further

7         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for the company's staff as an expression of high regard by  
9 the Texas House of Representatives.