

By: Davis of Dallas

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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Rites of Passage Program for Girls is hosting
2 its third biennial Women of Wisdom banquet on February 28, 2009, in
3 Dallas; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1998, Rites of Passage Program for
5 Girls is a nonprofit organization that offers a seven-year training
6 and development program for young women beginning in the sixth
7 grade; ROPP for Girls operates with a mission to affirm the positive
8 aspects of passing from childhood to adulthood and to instill in its
9 participants strong character traits and moral standards; the
10 program emphasizes community involvement, cultural appreciation,
11 healthy lifestyle choices, and the importance of self-esteem; and

12 WHEREAS, The Women of Wisdom banquet honors five women who
13 have made significant contributions to the Dallas community
14 throughout their lives; proceeds from the event will offset the
15 travel expenses of junior and senior level ROPP participants to
16 attend a two-week, educational and service-oriented trip to Ghana,
17 West Africa, during summer 2009; and

18 WHEREAS, ROPP for Girls is a noteworthy program that
19 encourages good citizenship, compassion, and service, and its
20 efforts are helping to ensure a bright future for many young Texans;
21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
23 Legislature hereby commemorate the Women of Wisdom banquet and
24 extend to all those associated with Rites of Passage Program for

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1 Girls sincere best wishes for a memorable and successful event;
2 and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for ROPP for Girls as an expression of high regard by the
5 Texas House of Representatives.