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H.R. No. 1030

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Cecilia Guthrie Boone has been selected as the 2009
2 recipient of the Susan B. Anthony Award by the League of Women
3 Voters of Dallas Education Fund; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Kentucky, Cecilia Boone moved to
5 Indiana, Ohio, and Texas as an employee of IBM; settling in the Lone
6 Star State, she married her husband, Garrett, and they shared the
7 joy of welcoming three children, Aimee, Katherine, and Guthrie into
8 their family; in 1978, the couple, together with their business
9 partners, launched The Container Store, which Mr. Boone continues
10 to serve as chairman emeritus; and

11 WHEREAS, In addition to meeting her career and family
12 responsibilities, Mrs. Boone has dedicated countless hours to her
13 community, focusing on programs for women; she served as president
14 of the board of Girls Incorporated of Metropolitan Dallas, and she
15 was affiliated with Planned Parenthood of North Texas and Annie's
16 List, a group that encourages women to seek statewide office; in
17 2006, she held the position of president of the board for the Dallas
18 Women's Foundation, supporting the organization's mission to
19 promote philanthropy and to help women and girls realize their full
20 potential; and

21 WHEREAS, This generous civic leader is the chair of the Boone
22 Family Foundation, and she remains involved in numerous local
23 organizations, including the Dallas Assembly and the Dallas Summit,
24 and the KERA North Texas Public Broadcasting board; Mrs. Boone is

1 also active on the board of the Dallas County Community Colleges
2 Foundation, Inc., and she assisted with the expansion of the
3 DCCCD's Rising Star Scholarship Program to serve more students, the
4 majority of whom are the first members in their families to attend
5 college; moreover, she is an adjunct faculty member at the Center on
6 Philanthropy at Indiana University and a member of the Women's
7 Leadership Board of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government; and

8 WHEREAS, A champion for the empowerment of young girls and
9 women, Cecilia Boone is committed to improving the quality of life
10 for many Texans, and her selfless efforts inspire all those who are
11 fortunate enough to know her; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
13 Legislature hereby congratulate Cecilia Guthrie Boone on her
14 receipt of the 2009 Susan B. Anthony Award from the League of Women
15 Voters of Dallas Education Fund and extend to her sincere best
16 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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