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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Bowden Chapter of Business and Professional
2 Women held its annual fellowship breakfast on October 21, 2007,
3 commemorating the organization's 65-year history and honoring
4 L. Vernice Warner as the chapter's Woman of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, Created to support and celebrate women in their
6 respective fields, the Bowden Chapter of Business and Professional
7 Women has also promoted community service projects and a long list
8 of local organizations and events since its founding in 1942; and

9 WHEREAS, Woman of the Year L. Vernice Warner embodies the
10 group's charitable ideals through her many efforts to give back to
11 the community by helping others; in addition to her work with the
12 Bowden Chapter, she has been a valued member of Emmanuel A.M.E.
13 Church for more than 60 years, and the congregation has greatly
14 benefited from her service as a trustee, steward, Sunday school
15 teacher, women's day chair, and lay delegate to several
16 Quadrangles; she has also attended the general conferences hosted
17 by her church and shared her time with the Women's Missionary
18 Society, which she serves as a life member; and

19 WHEREAS, A native of Weimar, Mrs. Warner graduated from
20 Douglas High School and attended St. Philip's College; while
21 studying at St. Philip's, she met Artemisia Bowden, who served as
22 her mentor and helped her earn a scholarship to the St. Agnes
23 Hospital School of Nursing at St. Augustine's College; and

24 WHEREAS, This accomplished Texan went on to earn bachelor's

1 and master's degrees in education from Prairie View A&M University
2 and pursued further studies at Our Lady of the Lake University;
3 today, she is retired from a distinguished 33-year career with the
4 San Antonio Independent School District and enjoys a lifetime
5 membership with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; and

6 WHEREAS, In recognizing the achievements of Mrs. Warner,
7 members of the Bowden Chapter of Business and Professional Women
8 honored a woman who has devoted many years to improving the lives of
9 Alamo City residents, and this notable organization and its Woman
10 of the Year are truly deserving of special commendation; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
13 Legislature hereby honor the Bowden Chapter of Business and
14 Professional Women for its members' 65 years of community service
15 and congratulate L. Vernice Warner on being named the chapter's
16 2007 Woman of the Year; and, be it further

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