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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The year 2009 marks the 60th anniversary of the San
2 Felipe Lions Club, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize this
3 fine organization for its continued efforts in behalf of the
4 community; and

5 WHEREAS, With sponsorship from the Lions Club in Del Rio, the
6 San Felipe Lions Club was chartered in 1949 by 24 dedicated civic
7 leaders; the group has sponsored numerous initiatives, like
8 fundraisers for hospital facilities and the establishment of
9 recreational parks, in response to the growing needs of the town;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Throughout its history, the S.F.L.C. has
12 participated in such Lions Charities as the Texas Lions Camp for
13 children with illnesses and disabilities and the Lions Sight
14 Research Foundation, for which it has conducted the "Stride for
15 Sight Walkathon"; its members have also raised funds to provide the
16 less privileged children in the community with eyeglasses, to help
17 offset the medical expenses for local citizens with terminal
18 illnesses, and to assist victims of flooding in Mexico; and

19 WHEREAS, The group has further distinguished itself through
20 its focus on education, and it has made lasting contributions to the
21 local school district by organizing a safety patrol, paving the
22 streets around San Felipe High School, conducting a band uniform
23 drive, hosting sports awards banquets and boxing matches, and by
24 purchasing vehicles for offsite activities, jerseys for the

1 football team, and a scoreboard for the stadium; moreover, the
2 S.F.L.C. scholarship program has given more than \$100,000 in
3 tuition assistance to high school graduates and college students;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Today, the organization continues to flourish with
6 an active membership of 80, and in 2006, it proudly unveiled a new
7 Juan Olivares Lions Center in San Felipe; moreover, the S.F.L.C.
8 has helped form one of the first Boy Scouts Troops in the region, as
9 well as a Lioness Club, a Leo Club, and other Lions clubs; and

10 WHEREAS, For the past six decades, the San Felipe Lions Club
11 has remained committed to building a strong community and enriching
12 the lives of area residents, and its members may take justifiable
13 pride in their shared legacy of good works; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
15 Legislature hereby commemorate the 60th anniversary of the San
16 Felipe Lions Club and extend to all those associated with the
17 organization sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for the San Felipe Lions Club as an expression of high
21 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.