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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Founders' Garden Club is celebrating its 75th
2 anniversary in 2009, and this occasion offers a fitting opportunity
3 to recognize the group's outstanding contributions to Brazoria
4 County; and

5 WHEREAS, The organization was the first of its kind in the
6 area when it was established in 1934 by the wives of Sulphur Company
7 employees, and through the years, it has promoted the pleasures of
8 flower design and horticulture, and members have enjoyed sharing
9 tips and recipes for herbal vinaigrettes; the group's annual flower
10 show has produced beautiful arrangements and horticulture
11 specimens, and members have filled their scrapbooks with pictures
12 of awards from competitions such as the Brazoria County Fair, which
13 has been a showplace for regional garden clubs; and

14 WHEREAS, The Founders' Garden Club has also supported
15 volunteer efforts; in addition to providing Christmas decorations
16 for Freeport Library during the past half-century, members plant a
17 tree or shrub at an area park every year on Arbor Day, make spring
18 flower baskets for area nursing homes, and have partnered with the
19 Brazosport Historical Society to refurbish flower beds at the
20 historic Schuster Home Museum in Freeport; and

21 WHEREAS, The organization is thriving today through the
22 efforts of avid gardeners Eloise Adams, Laura Arrington, Estelle
23 Brubaker, Sheryl Cramm, Faia Demain, Lillian Dye, Jimmie Dye, Joyce
24 Girouard, Jean Good, Sara Helpinstill, Doll Mayfield, Beverly

1 Nixon, Alma Patzke, and Dell Phillips; and

2 WHEREAS, For 75 years, the Founders' Garden Club has given
3 members an opportunity to set aside the cares of daily life and
4 enjoy the happiness found in creating beautiful gardens, and its
5 members have left lasting impressions throughout their community;
6 now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate the Founders' Garden Club of
9 Brazoria County on the milestone of its 75th anniversary and extend
10 to the members best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.