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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The year 2009 marks the 20th anniversary of the
2 Greater Keller Women's Club; and

3 WHEREAS, In February 1989, a group of 30 women gathered in
4 response to a notice in *The Keller Citizen* that had been posted by
5 three newcomers who were hoping to meet some of their fellow
6 residents; with a common interest in community affairs, these
7 charter members wrote bylaws, organized activity groups, and
8 created a monthly newsletter and a membership directory within a
9 month, and by May of that year, they held their first annual
10 meeting, installed officers, and signed a charter; by 1990, the
11 GKWC had increased to 140 members, and the following year it gained
12 tax-exempt status and became recognized as a group that promotes
13 the common good and general welfare of local citizens; and

14 WHEREAS, The GKWC also serves as a forum for its members to
15 pursue their mutual interests and participate in the community,
16 hosting interesting programs, activities, and special events as
17 well as service projects and fund-raisers like the GKWC Fashion
18 Show; in addition, its members have established the Greater Keller
19 Women's Club Foundation, Inc., which allows them to make tax-free
20 donations to other nonprofit organizations; since 1996, the
21 foundation has contributed more than \$575,000 to the Community
22 Storehouse, Open Arms, Tarrant County College, Project Graduation
23 of Keller High School, Metroport Meals on Wheels, Christ's Haven
24 for Children, the Keller Public Library, Riding Unlimited, Inc.,

1 and many other worthy endeavors; and

2 WHEREAS, This noteworthy organization plans various holiday
3 events to provide assistance to members of the community who are in
4 need, and it has participated in the Adopt-a-Street program and
5 other civic initiatives; moreover, the group was recognized by the
6 *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* with the Pat Nimmo Riddle Club of the Year
7 Award for 2001-2002; and

8 WHEREAS, Over the course of the past two decades, the Greater
9 Keller Women's Club has dedicated itself to enhancing the lives of
10 area Texans, and its members are to be commended for the very
11 positive impact they have made in their community; now, therefore,
12 be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
14 Legislature hereby commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Greater
15 Keller Women's Club and extend to all those associated with the
16 organization sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
17 further

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