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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International for 50 1 years, Audrey Eoff of Weslaco is being honored for her myriad 2 contributions to this outstanding organization at 3 International Council Convention in San Antonio on July 16, 2009; 4 5 and 6 WHEREAS, Founded in 1929, ESA is an international leadership 7 and service organization with some 12,000 members in more than 1,000 chapters; Mrs. Eoff belongs to Lambda Iota Chapter No. 2665 8 9 and has achieved her 5th Degree of Pallas Athene; currently serving for the fourth time as ESA District III president, she also recently 10 11 served as Texas awards chair for ESA; she herself has won numerous 12 awards through the years, including the top prize in international ESA competition as editor of the 2007-2008 state news magazine, The 13 14 TESAN, and she was selected as Outstanding ESA Member for the State of Texas in 2005-2006; moreover, she was recognized at the 15 16 organization's state convention in May 2009 with a 50-year service 17 pin; and 18 WHEREAS, Among the many organizations that benefit from the efforts of ESA members are St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 19 and the American Cancer Society; since 1972, Mrs. Eoff has worked 20 21 diligently in behalf of ESA's successful national fund-raising program for St. Jude, and she was invited to sing several times for 22 23 the hospital's founder, entertainer Danny Thomas, at the IC Convention; at this year's event, she will be recognized by ALSAC, 24

- 1 the hospital's fund-raising organization; and
- WHEREAS, This civic-minded Texan has served on the Mid Valley
- 3 Unit Board of the American Cancer Society for more than two decades
- 4 and is currently serving as president; a cancer survivor, she has
- 5 given generously of her time and talents to the Mid Valley Relay for
- 6 Life for the last nine years and to projects supporting research and
- 7 aiding individuals with cancer; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Eoff retired from the teaching profession after
- 9 25 years, and she continues to lead education workshops and work as
- 10 a consultant; she has been a valued member of St. Pius X Catholic
- 11 Church for more than five decades and has served as chair of the
- 12 Disciples in Mission Program and on a number of commissions; a
- 13 devoted wife and mother, she is supported in all her endeavors by
- 14 the love of her husband, Therman Eoff, and their 6 children and 13
- 15 grandchildren; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Through a half-century of dedicated service to
- 17 Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Audrey Eoff has set an inspiring example of
- 18 leadership and commitment, and her many accomplishments indeed
- 19 merit special recognition; now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby congratulate Audrey Eoff on her 50th anniversary
- 22 with Epsilon Sigma Alpha International and commend her for her many
- 23 noteworthy achievements; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 25 prepared for Mrs. Eoff as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 26 House of Representatives.