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H.C.R. No. 48

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Fannie Marchman Garden Club in Mineola is
2 celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2011, and this occasion offers
3 a fitting opportunity to recognize the group's many contributions
4 to the community; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1936 by women from Mineola and
6 neighboring Grand Saline, the garden club has completed a host of
7 local beautification projects through the years; early efforts
8 included landscaping and maintaining the grounds of the city
9 cemetery and developing a park beside the Quitman highway; and

10 WHEREAS, Today, the club remains dedicated to the mission
11 laid out in its constitution: the mutual improvement of its members
12 in gardening and civic pride; the group has sponsored flower shows,
13 participated in the local Christmas parade, and hosted fund-raisers
14 to support a variety of worthwhile projects; and

15 WHEREAS, Mineola City Hall, the civic center, and area
16 schools and nursing homes have benefited from the efforts of the
17 club; recognized for its outstanding work, the organization has
18 earned the Environmental Improvement Award from Sears and first
19 place honors from the National Council of State Garden Clubs for
20 establishing Mineola as a bird sanctuary; and

21 WHEREAS, For three quarters of a century, the Fannie Marchman
22 Garden Club has provided members an opportunity to set aside the
23 cares of daily life and enjoy the happiness found in creating
24 beautiful gardens, and in turn, they have brightened the lives of

1 their fellow citizens through their careful stewardship of the
2 natural world; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas
4 hereby congratulate the Fannie Marchman Garden Club on the
5 milestone of its 75th anniversary and extend to all those
6 associated with the group sincere best wishes for continued
7 success; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for the club as an expression of high regard by the Texas
10 House of Representatives and Senate.