

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Yvonne Racz Key was recognized with a 2011 Woman of  
2 Excellence award from the YWCA of Lubbock for her achievements in  
3 the field of arts and culture; and

4           WHEREAS, An annual project that has honored 185 individuals  
5 since 1989, the YWCA Women of Excellence awards are given to women  
6 leaders whose contributions to business, industry, and area  
7 associations are crucial to the success of those organizations and  
8 the Lubbock community; the awards program is in keeping with the  
9 YWCA's goal to empower women and their families and to establish  
10 strong role models for the next generation of South Plains women;  
11 and

12           WHEREAS, A distinguished dancer, choreographer, and teacher,  
13 Ms. Racz Key has served since 1997 as the artistic director of  
14 Ballet Lubbock, a full-time preprofessional ballet school and  
15 performing company; during her tenure, the school's enrollment has  
16 grown from approximately 50 students to more than 200, and its  
17 dancers now train in a state-of-the-art studio; many of her  
18 students have been accepted into the nation's top-ranked summer  
19 ballet intensives, including those conducted by the School of  
20 American Ballet, San Francisco Ballet, and Kirov Academy; and

21           WHEREAS, In addition to her work with Ballet Lubbock, Ms.  
22 Racz Key has also choreographed many productions for Texas Tech  
23 University and Lubbock Moonlight Musicals; a tireless promoter of  
24 the arts, she has contributed her talents to a number of community

1 events, among them the annual Lubbock Arts Festival and the Lubbock  
2 Centennial Celebration, as well as special performances of the  
3 Lubbock Symphony Orchestra; she is a recipient of the Dynamic  
4 Force/Ace Award from the Lubbock Arts Alliance, and she has been  
5 recognized by the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* as one of the city's  
6 100 most influential persons; and

7 WHEREAS, Ms. Racz Key received extensive dance training with  
8 the Syracuse Ballet Theater, the Lubbock Civic Ballet, and the Utah  
9 Ballet Company; after earning a bachelor's degree in humanities  
10 from the University of Utah, she went on to perform professionally  
11 with the Urban Ballet Theater, Desrosiers Dance Theatre, Ballet  
12 Hispanico of New York, and Cirque Du Soleil; in addition, she has  
13 taught master courses in dance at Texas Tech University, the New  
14 York Institute for Dance Education, the Urban Ballet Theater, and  
15 the Kinkaid School in Houston; and

16 WHEREAS, Ms. Racz Key and her husband, Tim, are the proud  
17 parents of three children, Lukacs, Jet, and Antonia; and

18 WHEREAS, Inspiring others with her notable accomplishments,  
19 Yvonne Racz Key stands at the forefront of those individuals who are  
20 making a positive difference in their communities, and she is  
21 indeed deserving of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas  
23 hereby congratulate Yvonne Racz Key on her selection as a 2011 YWCA  
24 of Lubbock Woman of Excellence and extend to her sincere best wishes  
25 for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

26 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
27 prepared for Ms. Racz Key as an expression of high regard by the

H.C.R. No. 111

1 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 111 was adopted by the House on April 21, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 111 was adopted by the Senate on May 3, 2011, by a viva-voce vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor