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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, There are few greater indications of civic pride 2 than an attractive and well-maintained environment, and Katy is one 3 of 10 Texas cities that have been recognized for their efforts in this regard with a 2010 Governor's Community Achievement Award; and 4 5 WHEREAS, For more than 20 years, Keep Texas Beautiful and the Texas Department of Transportation have collaborated to honor those 6 7 Texas towns that go above and beyond in their work to improve their outdoor spaces; honorees are chosen based on achievements in 8 9 community leadership and coordination, public awareness, beautification and property 10 education, improvement, litter prevention and cleanup, solid waste management, and illegal dumping 11 12 and litter laws, and receipt of the award includes funding for landscaping projects along local state rights-of-way; and 13

WHEREAS, Keep Katy Beautiful has worked hard to protect and beautify the city; along with the Harris County Municipal Utility District, the organization has hosted hazardous waste collection events, and KKB was also the driving force behind a local dumpster ordinance that improved the sites of nearly 160 waste containers; and

20 WHEREAS, Partnering with the Katy Parks Department, Keep Katy 21 Beautiful transformed a blighted, forgotten area of the city into 22 the Katy Play Station, a playscape constructed entirely from 23 recycled materials; the innovative installation contains 24 facilities that cater to children with hearing and sight

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restrictions, autism, and other disabilities; in addition, KKB 1 oversees 11 Adopt-a-Spot locations throughout the community; and 2 WHEREAS, The City of Katy has maintained 3 excellent 4 environmental programs while balancing the needs of its 5 ever-increasing population, and the success of these initiatives is 6 improving the quality of life in the area and setting a noteworthy example for other communities across the state; now, therefore, be 7 8 it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 10 Legislature hereby honor the City of Katy for its receipt of a 2010 11 Governor's Community Achievement Award and commend all those 12 involved in Katy's beautification for a job well done; and, be it 13 further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the City of Katy as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 168 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House