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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 of 10 Texas cities that have been recognized for their efforts in 3 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, 10 education, beautification and property improvement, 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 14 WHEREAS, Keep Katy Beautiful has worked hard to protect and beautify the city; along with the Harris County Municipal Utility 15 16 District, the organization has hosted hazardous waste collection events, and KKB was also the driving force behind a local dumpster 17 ordinance that improved the sites of nearly 160 waste containers; 18 19 and 20 WHEREAS, Partnering with the Katy Parks Department, Keep Katy 21 Beautiful transformed a blighted, forgotten area of the city into the Katy Play Station, a playscape constructed entirely from 22 23 recycled materials; the innovative installation contains 24 facilities that cater to children with hearing and

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- 1 restrictions, autism, and other disabilities; in addition, KKB
- 2 oversees 11 Adopt-a-Spot locations throughout the community; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The City of Katy has maintained 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
- 7 example for other communities across the state; now, therefore, be
- 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
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for the City of Katy as an expression of high regard by the
- 16 Texas House of Representatives.