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H.R. No. 562

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A delegation from the Western Area of The Links,
2 Incorporated, is visiting the State Capitol on February 28, 2011;
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4 WHEREAS, Founded in 1946, The Links is a volunteer service
5 organization for professional women who are committed to enriching
6 the culture of African Americans and other persons of African
7 ancestry and improving their economic status; it has a membership
8 of 12,000 in 274 chapters across the country and in the Commonwealth
9 of the Bahamas; and

10 WHEREAS, The business and civic leaders, mentors, role
11 models, and activists of this nonprofit corporation volunteer more
12 than 500,000 hours annually in projects to strengthen their
13 communities and make a positive difference in the lives of others;
14 through the years, the group has received awards from such
15 organizations as the United Nations Association of New York and the
16 Leon H. Sullivan Foundation; and

17 WHEREAS, The Western Area of The Links includes 2,000 members
18 in 55 chapters; these dedicated women work in behalf of children,
19 families, and the disadvantaged and support the University of
20 California Davis Women's Cardiovascular Medicine Program, the
21 Mayme A. Clayton Library and Museum, historically black colleges,
22 and Project ALERT (Alzheimer's Link to Education, Research, and
23 Treatment); IMAGE/Hip-Hop, another of the important initiatives of
24 the Western Area, takes action against negative images of African

1 American women in the rap industry; and

2 WHEREAS, The dynamic members of The Links have demonstrated
3 outstanding leadership and commitment to their communities and
4 their nation, setting high standards of civic engagement to which
5 others may aspire; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
7 Legislature hereby commend the members of the Western Area of The
8 Links, Incorporated, for their exceptional service in behalf of
9 others and extend to them sincere best wishes for a memorable and
10 meaningful visit to Austin; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.