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H.R. No. 1232

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of Village Republican Women in Houston are
2 celebrating the 50th anniversary of their club on April 11, 2011;
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4 WHEREAS, Founded as the Precinct 273 Republican Women's Club,
5 this noteworthy organization was chartered as a member of the Texas
6 Federation of Republican Women in 1961 under the new name of Village
7 Republican Women; from an initial membership of 14, it has grown to
8 become one of the largest Republican women's clubs in the Houston
9 area, and its members have held leadership roles in the TFRW and the
10 Greater Houston Council of Federated Women; and

11 WHEREAS, Participants in Village Republican Women give
12 generously of their time, talents, and financial resources to
13 support campaigns at the state and local levels, and many have been
14 involved in national campaigns and issues as well; among other
15 endeavors, they have distributed campaign literature, hosted
16 candidate forums, staffed telephone banks, and participated in
17 block walks; the organization places a strong emphasis on voter
18 registration, and members have gone door-to-door and set up tables
19 at shopping centers and neighborhood festivals over the years to
20 help citizens register to vote; and

21 WHEREAS, In addition, VRW members have taken part in numerous
22 endeavors to benefit the community; the club has assisted in
23 literacy efforts, including the Reading is Fundamental program in
24 the Spring Branch Independent School District, Reach Out and Read,

1 and the Dictionary Project, which is sponsored by the National
2 Federation of Republican Women; members have also sponsored teams
3 in the Race for the Cure, collected and distributed reading
4 material to hospitals and retirement homes, and worked in behalf of
5 the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Houston; supporting the men and
6 women of the armed forces, they have contributed to the Wounded
7 Warrior Project, Operation Uplink, and Operation Interdependence,
8 and they have prepared many care packages for troops deployed
9 abroad; and

10 WHEREAS, Over the past half-century, members of Village
11 Republican Women have made a lasting difference in their city and
12 beyond through their grassroots activism and community service, and
13 they may take justifiable pride in their rich history of civic
14 engagement; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Village Republican Women on the
17 occasion of its 50th anniversary and extend to all those associated
18 with the group sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Village Republican Women as an expression of high
22 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.