

By: Pitts

H.R. No. 1253

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Susan Mann of Hillsboro has earned the Distinguished
2 Service Award from the Texas Library Association; and

3 WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Ms. Mann's leadership has
4 been integral to the Hillsboro City Library, where she has served as
5 assistant director and, since 1985, as director; through the years,
6 her efforts have secured more than \$2 million in building and
7 technology grants to benefit the institution and the greater
8 community; and

9 WHEREAS, This skilled administrator and advocate has also
10 worked to increase support for the Texas State Library, as well as
11 public, school, and academic libraries, and she has helped
12 libraries throughout the state receive telecommunications
13 infrastructure funding and E-Rate discounts; and

14 WHEREAS, In 2001, Ms. Mann campaigned for the establishment
15 of the Loan Star Libraries Grant Program, designed to provide
16 additional resources to public libraries in the Texas Library
17 System; more recently, she played a vital role in obtaining \$3.5
18 million for the program and \$1.5 million for the system; and

19 WHEREAS, Dedicated to her chosen field, Ms. Mann is active in
20 the Central Texas Library System, American Library Association, and
21 White House Conference on School Libraries; she has held a number of
22 leadership positions with the Texas Library Association, including
23 vice chair of the legislative committee and president of the public
24 library division; a charter member of the TALL Texans Leadership

1 Institute, she also helped to found the Small Community Libraries
2 Round Table (SCLRT), which currently has more than 430 members; and

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Mann has further given back to her fellow
4 residents in her work as management information system director for
5 the City of Hillsboro and as president of the Hillsboro Independent
6 School District Board of Trustees; her many professional and civic
7 contributions have earned her such titles as Hillsboro Chamber of
8 Commerce Citizen of the Year and SCLRT Community Librarian of the
9 Year; and

10 WHEREAS, Recognizing the importance of providing all Texans
11 with greater access to information, Susan Mann has been an
12 invaluable asset to her community and to libraries across the Lone
13 Star State, and her work has helped to enrich the lives of countless
14 citizens; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Susan Mann on earning the
17 Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Library Association and
18 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success with her
19 important work; and, be it further

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