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By: Dutton

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Georgia Doyle Provost of Houston has contributed to 2 her fellow citizens for more than half a century as a business and 3 civic leader; and

WHEREAS, A native of Lafayette, Louisiana, Mrs. Provost earned her degree from Texas Southern University and pursued advanced studies at the University of Houston and the Winona School of Professional Photography; and

8 WHEREAS, Through her photography studio, Provost & 9 Associates, she has chronicled the Houston area since 1948, as well 10 as photographed some two million Texans and Louisianans; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Provost has further distinguished herself as a 12 community activist and humanitarian; she has long worked to raise 13 money for youth and charitable organizations in partnership with 14 Alan Helfman of River Oaks Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep, and she is an 15 advocate for young African American men; in addition, she has 16 shared her time and talents with The Metropolitan Organization and 17 the *Houston Forward Times*; and

WHEREAS, A proud graduate of TSU, Mrs. Provost has supported the school as executive director of the Texas Southern University Bayou Bend Alumni and Ex-Students Association and as creator and director of the TSU Community Awareness Program; in 1998, she established the T. F. Freeman Ministers and Laity Summit and the Male Chorus Gospel Extravaganza to raise funds for the TSU debate team; and

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1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Provost is an active member of Our Mother of 2 Mercy Parish, where she serves as president of the parish 3 involvement and communication committee, as coordinator of the 4 civil rights education classes, and as a member of the Pastoral 5 Council; she also gives back to her community of faith as the 6 executive director of the Youth for Christ Foundation and Women for 7 Christ; and

8 WHEREAS, Honored on many occasions, Mrs. Provost has received 9 awards for her accomplishments as a businesswoman, as well as for 10 her contributions in behalf of youth and the community at large; 11 moreover, she has been inducted into the Wall of Honors at the TSU 12 School of Technology; and

13 WHEREAS, Georgia Provost has worked tirelessly to improve the 14 lives of others, setting an outstanding example of community 15 engagement to which others may aspire; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 17 Legislature hereby commend Georgia Doyle Provost for her 18 longstanding commitment to the people and city of Houston and 19 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success and 20 happiness; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 22 prepared for Mrs. Provost as an expression of high regard by the 23 Texas House of Representatives.

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