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H.R. No. 207

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Those Texans who give freely of their time and
2 talents in behalf of their community make the world a better place,
3 and on November 4, 2012, Mary Oberlin was recognized for her
4 lifetime of civic engagement at the second annual Exemplary Women
5 of Irving High Tea event; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Oberlin has been active in numerous
7 organizations and initiatives in the local area; she worked for 10
8 years with Irving Community Services and the United Way, helping to
9 improve child care and to expand resources for the mentally
10 disabled, and she participated in the United Irving campaign
11 organized by Irving Community Hospital; as a member of Park People,
12 she assisted in the organization and construction of Victoria Park,
13 and she served for eight years on the Cultural Affairs Council of
14 Irving; and

15 WHEREAS, This dedicated volunteer played a key role in the
16 development of the Irving Cancer Society, and her efforts to aid
17 those in need have included service with Irving Youth and Family
18 Counseling and with the Housing and Human Services Board, which she
19 oversaw as president; she has also held the office of president in
20 the Irving Woman's Club, the Las Colinas Women's Association, the
21 Irving Heritage Society, and the Irving Symphony League, and she
22 maintains her membership in all of those groups; moreover, she
23 provided valuable guidance during her tenure on the Irving
24 Community Television Network and Irving DART advisory boards; and

1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Oberlin has further distinguished herself
2 through her service as a member of the Irving Clinic Board and the
3 board of La Buena Vida Foundation, which offers temporary housing
4 to homeless teenagers; she is a longtime congregant of Plymouth
5 Park United Methodist Church and is a former president of United
6 Methodist Women, and she has been a member of the League of Women
7 Voters for half a century; and

8 WHEREAS, Mary Oberlin has benefited her fellow citizens
9 through many years of purposeful endeavor, and in so doing, she has
10 set an inspiring example of compassion, commitment, and generosity;
11 now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
13 Legislature hereby congratulate Mary Oberlin on her selection as
14 one of the Exemplary Women of Irving and extend to her sincere best
15 wishes for continued success in her important work; and, be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Mrs. Oberlin as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.