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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi is celebrating its
2 100th anniversary on June 28, 2014; and

3 WHEREAS, The 125th Rotary Club to be chartered worldwide, the
4 Corpus Christi chapter was established in 1914 with a membership of
5 40, and today the organization consists of approximately 240
6 members; and

7 WHEREAS, The mission of the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi is
8 to create a meaningful fellowship of business and professional
9 leaders who are dedicated to making a positive difference in their
10 communities through service; over the past century, members have
11 left a lasting legacy in Corpus Christi by commissioning the "Queen
12 of the Sea" sculpture in the downtown area and by erecting a town
13 clock and building a bandstand in Heritage Park; and

14 WHEREAS, In addition to these tangible contributions, the
15 association has volunteered innumerable hours and resources to
16 programs benefiting the community; such worthwhile projects
17 include packing Thanksgiving dinners for the Food Bank of Corpus
18 Christi, assisting with the placement of children through an
19 Adoption Awareness event, contributing to the Salvation Army's Red
20 Kettle campaign, establishing the Harvey Weil Sportsman
21 Conservationist Award, and providing grant funds of more than
22 \$500,000 for preservation projects; and

23 WHEREAS, The group has also demonstrated a commitment to
24 promoting excellence in education and has funded scholarships at

1 Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, the Coastal Bend Community
2 Foundation, and Del Mar College; moreover, the club has sponsored
3 career awareness presentations at Driscoll Middle School,
4 recognized the achievements of top area high school students, and
5 provided leadership training to young adults in South Texas with
6 its Rotary Youth Leadership Award Program; and

7 WHEREAS, Internationally, the club has helped people in
8 Mexico, Fiji, and Honduras through a number of health, housing, and
9 literacy projects; the group has also contributed to Rotary's
10 PolioPlus program, which works to eradicate polio across the globe;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi has made
13 invaluable contributions to its community and beyond, and in so
14 doing it has enriched the lives of countless individuals during a
15 century of service; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
17 Legislature hereby congratulate the Rotary Club of Corpus Christi
18 on the occasion of its 100th anniversary and commend its members for
19 their exceptional service; and, be it further

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