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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Jennifer Sampson of Dallas has been named a  
2 recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Baylor  
3 Alumni Association; and

4           WHEREAS, One of the youngest individuals to receive this  
5 prestigious accolade, Ms. Sampson was recognized for her  
6 exceptional accomplishments as the first female chief executive  
7 officer of United Way of Metropolitan Dallas; she joined the  
8 organization in 2001 as senior vice president and chief financial  
9 officer, and she served as chief operating officer before her  
10 appointment as president and CEO in 2011; and

11           WHEREAS, Ms. Sampson guided the United Way through  
12 substantial administrative and operational changes during her  
13 first year as CEO; by diversifying revenue sources and investment  
14 strategies, she has achieved unprecedented results, and she has  
15 built community confidence while focusing on a new approach to  
16 philanthropy that emphasizes citywide collaborations; a founding  
17 member of the United Way Women of Tocqueville Society, she also  
18 serves on the United Way Worldwide National Professional Council;  
19 and

20           WHEREAS, Through the years, Ms. Sampson has demonstrated her  
21 commitment to the community in numerous leadership roles; she is a  
22 sustaining member of the Junior League of Dallas and a member of the  
23 Fortune 500 Task Force, Select Cities, the International Women's  
24 Forum, the Business and Community Advisory Council of the Dallas

1 Federal Reserve Bank Board, and the Dallas Assembly; since 2009,  
2 she has served on the Crystal Charity Ball Committee, and she served  
3 on the Cattle Baron's Ball Committee from 2001 to 2008; she has also  
4 served on the Baylor University Alumni Association Board of  
5 Directors and Executive Committee; in 2012, she was named Woman of  
6 the Year by the Women's Council of Dallas County; and

7 WHEREAS, This dynamic Texan earned her bachelor's degree in  
8 business administration at Baylor University and is a certified  
9 public accountant; moreover, she has completed executive education  
10 courses through the Harvard Business School and the Kennedy School  
11 of Government at Harvard University; she began her career with  
12 Arthur Andersen in 1991 and worked with corporate clients in a  
13 variety of industries; and

14 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Ms. Sampson enjoys the love  
15 and support of her husband, Edward, and she takes great pride in her  
16 son, Hilton; and

17 WHEREAS, Jennifer Sampson has made a positive difference in  
18 the lives of innumerable North Texas residents through her efforts  
19 in behalf of the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas, and her  
20 dedication to her community has set standards of civic engagement  
21 to which others may aspire; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
23 Legislature hereby congratulate Jennifer Sampson on her receipt of  
24 a Distinguished Alumni Award from the Baylor Alumni Association and  
25 extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success in her  
26 important work; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for Ms. Sampson as an expression of high regard by the  
2 Texas House of Representatives.