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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Public-spirited citizens from across the Lone Star

2 State are gathering in Austin on April 9, 2013, to advocate for

3 women and their families during Blue Ribbon Lobby Day at the

4 Capitol; and

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5 WHEREAS, Led by organizers Diane Mosier, president of River

6 Oaks Area Democratic Women, and Lize Burr, president of Capitol

7 Area Democratic Women, and joined by concerned women and leaders

8 from around the state, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day was created to bring

9 attention to issues important to Texan women, including public

10 education, health care, and economic well-being; and

11 WHEREAS, During this day of action, progressive and

Democratic women are meeting with state legislators to discuss the

message that women are integral to the economic success of this

14 state, and that the state's continued prosperity depends on

15 ensuring that women have equal opportunities and that their rights

16 are equally protected; and

17 WHEREAS, Those who attend the day's events are wearing blue

18 to signify their support of the cause and to raise awareness of a

19 number of disheartening statistics, including that Texas has the

20 highest percentage of uninsured women in the country and that more

21 than a fourth, or 1.7 million, Texas children live in poverty; and

22 WHEREAS, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day is helping to raise the voices

23 and call attention to the concerns of women and their families, and

24 the event stands as a testament to the positive difference that

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- 1 engaged Texas women can make; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby recognize April 9, 2013, as Blue Ribbon Lobby
- 4 Day at the Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the advocates who
- 5 are visiting here today.