## R E S OLUTION

WHEREAS, The town of Little Elm received the Bronze Leaf Award at the 19th annual North Central Texas Urban Forestry Conference held in Grand Prairie on February 15, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Presented by the Forestry Council, the Bronze Leaf Award recognizes individuals, organizations, and communities that have made important contributions to urban forestry in the Cross Timbers and Trinity Blacklands regions of the state; and

WHEREAS, Little Elm was honored at the event for its commitment to urban tree management, including its landscape requirements for new development, its prioritization of trees in its capital improvement projects, its commercial site integrity program, which ensures the permanent maintenance of landscaping, and its aggressive tree preservation regulations; and

WHEREAS, Previously designated a Tree City USA Community by the Arbor Day Foundation, Little Elm is also a member of the Cross Timbers Urban Forestry Council, which collaborates with the Trinity Blacklands Urban Forestry Council to provide the annual regional conference for professional urban foresters and arborists; and

WHEREAS, With its innovative strategies to support a healthy urban ecosystem, Little Elm is demonstrating exemplary stewardship of the Lone Star State's natural resources, and it is a pleasure to recognize the town's efforts and its well-deserved accolades; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
Legislature hereby congratulate Little Elm on its receipt of a
Bronze Leaf Award from the Forestry Council and commend all those
associated with the town's urban forestry efforts for their
outstanding work; and, be it further
RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Little Elm as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.

