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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Linda H. Smith of Dallas is being recognized on May 2 4, 2013, as a special honoree at the 2013 Esther Awards Program 3 sponsored by the Strait Gate Fellowship Baptist Church of Elgin; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, The Esther Awards Program was established to honor 6 women who have distinguished themselves through Christian 7 leadership and civic service; an extension of the Strait Gate 8 Women's Ministry, the initiative is intended to provide positive 9 role models to inspire and encourage younger women in the church and 10 the wider community; and

11 WHEREAS, A truly deserving recipient, Ms. Smith has long 12 advocated for the elderly and volunteered her time to help care for 13 older residents; she has also created the Banana Bread Ministry, 14 which serves many in the community; this esteemed Texan has been 15 involved in nursing for more than 35 years, and she was nominated as 16 "Outstanding Nurse" by the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Through her strong faith and dedication, Linda Smith has improved the quality of life for countless area residents, and she may reflect with justifiable pride on her accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Linda H. Smith on her selection as a 2013 Esther Awards Program honoree and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for Ms. Smith as an expression of high regard by the Texas
3 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1572 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House