

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Public-spirited citizens from across the Lone Star
2 State gathered in Austin on April 9, 2013, to advocate for women and
3 their families during Blue Ribbon Lobby Day at the Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Led by organizers Diane Mosier, president of River
5 Oaks Area Democratic Women, and Lize Burr, president of Capitol
6 Area Democratic Women, and joined by concerned women and leaders
7 from around the state, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day was created to bring
8 attention to issues important to Texan women, including public
9 education, health care, and economic well-being; Dallas-area
10 representatives included Carmen Ayala, Kim Morris, Tarsha Hardy,
11 Mary Warren, Carol Jablonski, Cindy James, and Janice Schwarz; and

12 WHEREAS, During this day of action, progressive and
13 Democratic women met with state legislators to discuss the message
14 that women are integral to the economic success of this state, and
15 that the state's continued prosperity depends on ensuring that
16 women have equal opportunities and that their rights are equally
17 protected; and

18 WHEREAS, Those in attendance wore blue to signify their
19 support of the cause and to raise awareness of a number of
20 disheartening statistics, including that Texas has the highest
21 percentage of uninsured women in the country and that more than a
22 fourth of all Texas children live in poverty; and

23 WHEREAS, Blue Ribbon Lobby Day helps to raise the voices and
24 call attention to the concerns of women and their families, and the

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1 event stands as a testament to the positive difference that engaged
2 Texas women can make; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
4 Legislature hereby commend Carmen Ayala, Kim Morris, Tarsha Hardy,
5 Mary Warren, Carol Jablonski, Cindy James, and Janice Schwarz for
6 their participation in Blue Ribbon Lobby Day 2013 and extend to them
7 sincere best wishes for the future.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1663 was adopted by the House on May 1, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House