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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The McGregor Garden Club is dedicating a Blue Star

2 Memorial Highway Marker on May 18, 2013, at the intersection of

3 Texas State Highway 317 and U.S. Highway 84; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1945, the Blue Star Memorial Highway

5 program was created by the National Council of State Garden Clubs to

6 pay tribute to service members of World War II; in 1951, the

7 initiative was amended to include all those individuals who have

8 served, are currently serving, or will serve in the armed services

9 of the United States; today, there are some 2,365 plaques, spanning

10 more than 70,000 miles across the nation; and

11 WHEREAS, An affiliated chapter of the state organization, the

12 McGregor Garden Club has initiated many community beautification

13 projects since its founding in 1947; the group recently won first

14 place in a state contest for both its landscaping of Legacy Park and

15 its Pink Pocket Garden, which was designed to raise breast cancer

16 awareness; in addition, the club plants trees on Arbor Day,

17 recognizes local veterans for their service, and awards a "Yard of

18 the Month" three times a year; and

19 WHEREAS, The McGregor Garden Club is continuing a long

20 tradition of public service with its tribute to the nation's

21 military personnel, and its efforts are an important reminder that

22 members of the armed forces deserve our lasting appreciation for

23 their selfless dedication and bravery; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of the Blue Star
- 2 Memorial Highway Marker in McGregor and extend to all those
- 3 associated with the program sincere best wishes for a successful
- 4 and memorable event.