

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sydney Faye Taylor of Lorena has been named the 2013
2 Queen of the Waco Cotton Palace; and

3 WHEREAS, Now in its 43rd year of operation, the Waco Cotton
4 Palace is a vibrant stage show that dramatically reenacts the
5 history of Waco; the selection of the queen and court is a cherished
6 tradition that recognizes some of Waco's most accomplished young
7 people, and Ms. Taylor is indeed a fitting recipient of this
8 prestigious honor; and

9 WHEREAS, Sydney Taylor is a senior at Lorena High School,
10 where she is completing the Distinguished Achievement Program; an
11 outstanding student, she is a member of the National Honor Society,
12 received the All Academic Award, and is a National Young Leaders
13 State Scholar and a National Society of High School Scholars
14 designee; athletically inclined as well, she served as captain of
15 Lorena's varsity cheer squad for two years, was selected as an
16 All-American Cheerleader by the National Cheerleaders Association
17 and the Universal Cheerleaders Association, earned the Leopard
18 Heart Award, and performed at the Fellowship of Christian Athletes
19 Victory Bowl; other school activities include participation in the
20 Student Council, Spanish Club, and the Diamond Darlings; and

21 WHEREAS, The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Bryan Edward Taylor,
22 this outstanding young Texan is also a caring volunteer; a recent
23 graduate of the six-year National Charity League of Waco program,
24 she won its Mother-Daughter Service Award and was the 2013 senior

1 class president; moreover, she is involved in the Peer Assistance
2 and Leadership program, helps with youth activities at the First
3 United Methodist Church in Waco, served as a Waco Symphony Golden
4 Belle, and is her community's nominee for the Waco Rotary Club
5 Outstanding Youth Citizenship Award; and

6 WHEREAS, Following her high school graduation, Ms. Taylor
7 will travel throughout the Lone Star State as a NCA instructor, and
8 she will begin her college career at Texas Christian University in
9 the fall; and

10 WHEREAS, Sydney Taylor has demonstrated a strong commitment
11 to excellence as an athlete, a student, and an engaged citizen, and
12 she may indeed reflect with pride on her achievements and
13 contributions as she looks forward to the next exciting chapter in
14 her life; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Sydney Taylor on her selection as
17 the 2013 Waco Cotton Palace Queen and extend to her best wishes for
18 continued success; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for Ms. Taylor as an expression of high regard by the Texas
21 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1728

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1728 was adopted by the House on May 1, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House