

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Cheryl Whitfield has demonstrated exceptional  
2 patriotism through her efforts in behalf of fallen members of the  
3 United States military; and

4           WHEREAS, In 2008, Ms. Whitfield founded the National  
5 Memorial Ladies; the members of this noteworthy service  
6 organization pay tribute to Texans who made the ultimate sacrifice  
7 for our country; in addition to attending military funerals at  
8 Houston National Cemetery, volunteers offer condolences to  
9 bereaved families; and

10           WHEREAS, Ms. Whitfield has continued to work diligently to  
11 remind her fellow citizens of the contributions of the brave men and  
12 women of the armed forces; in 2010, she began a fund-raising effort  
13 to create a monument honoring Texans who gave their lives in defense  
14 of the United States of America in Operation Iraqi Freedom and  
15 Operation New Dawn in Iraq and Operation Enduring Freedom in  
16 Afghanistan; she collaborated with public officials to find a site  
17 for the monument, which was built in Cy-Champ Park and dedicated on  
18 October 6, 2012; it features four large granite walls engraved with  
19 the names of more than 600 soldiers; and

20           WHEREAS, Time can never diminish the profound debt Americans  
21 owe to the heroes who have died to protect our liberty, and Cheryl  
22 Whitfield has given selflessly of her time and talent to ensure that  
23 their courage and sacrifice receive due recognition; now,  
24 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
2 Legislature hereby commend Cheryl Whitfield for her leadership in  
3 the establishment of the National Memorial Ladies organization and  
4 the Fallen Warriors Memorial in Cy-Champ Park and extend to her  
5 sincere best wishes for continued success in her important  
6 endeavors; and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Ms. Whitfield as an expression of high regard by the  
9 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 2338

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2338 was adopted by the House on May 22, 2013, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House