RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The vitality of the political process in Texas 2 depends on the active participation of its citizens, and Joyce 3 Dorrycott has demonstrated an exemplary spirit of civic engagement 4 in both her professional and volunteer endeavors; and

5 WHEREAS, Beginning her college career at the age of 40, Ms. 6 Dorrycott graduated from Southwest Texas State University with a 7 bachelor's degree in history and political science in 1974 and a 8 master's degree in 1976; and

WHEREAS, She worked for the Texas House of Representatives 9 for two sessions, and then returned to Southwest Texas State 10 University as an instructor, teaching students about the role of 11 12 government; she briefly left the university to work as director of special projects in the office of District Attorney Sam Millsap 13 14 during the 1980s, advocating for measures related to child abuse and family violence and helping to establish the family violence 15 unit; and 16

WHEREAS, After retiring from teaching in 1994, Ms. Dorrycott 17 18 soon found a new challenge, participating in the Northwest Democrats and chairing the organization for eight years; she also 19 oversaw several political campaigns, has twice served on the 20 City/County Consolidation Commission, has been a member of the 21 elections committee for Bexar County, and took part in Target '90, 22 23 the San Antonio community planning project led by then mayor Henry 24 Cisneros; furthermore, she has chaired three separate district

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1 attorney task forces on juvenile justice, domestic violence, and 2 child abuse; additionally, she has found the time to write and is 3 the author of numerous articles and books; and

4 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has been honored for her work by 5 many organizations and committees, including the statewide Council on Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention, the Children's Trust Fund of 6 San Antonio, the Bexar County Coalition on Domestic Violence, and 7 the Commission on Juvenile Justice; she has been recognized with 8 the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Bexar County Democratic 9 10 Party, and in 1984, she was inducted into the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame; and 11

WHEREAS, Ms. Dorrycott shared a rewarding marriage with her husband, Don Green, who supported her in all of her endeavors until he passed away in 2008; the proud mother of three sons and two daughters, she has delighted in welcoming into her family eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, As an exceptional teacher, a strong voice in educating the public about domestic violence, and a respected political advisor, Joyce Dorrycott has worked tirelessly for good government, and she may indeed take pride in her notable achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas Legislature hereby honor Joyce Dorrycott for her civic and community service and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

Menendez

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2633 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House