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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of the Conner Harrington Republican Women of  
2 Plano have played an active role in their community and beyond for  
3 more than four decades; and

4           WHEREAS, Organized in the home of Gladys Harrington in 1971,  
5 this group of concerned citizens had 16 original members, united by  
6 a vision of small government and individual liberty and  
7 responsibility; the club was named for the late Conner Harrington,  
8 who served as mayor of Plano and as a member of the State Republican  
9 Executive Committee; and

10           WHEREAS, The Conner Harrington Republican Women began  
11 holding night meetings to allow working mothers to attend, and they  
12 conducted all business in an open format to ensure that everyone  
13 could participate; the club has won awards from the National and  
14 Texas Federations of Republican Women, and its members have gone on  
15 to win elected office and serve at the highest levels in the state  
16 federation and in the Republican Party of Texas; and

17           WHEREAS, During a busy and productive 2014, the Conner  
18 Harrington Republican Women completed a number of projects for the  
19 TFRW Caring for America program and delivered books for the Mamie  
20 Eisenhower Library Project; in addition, the club funded  
21 scholarships in support of women's education and organized efforts  
22 to keep its members informed about a variety of important political  
23 and social issues; and

24           WHEREAS, Under the leadership of current president Andrea

1 Stroh Thompson, members of the Conner Harrington Republican Women  
2 are making a lasting difference through their grassroots political  
3 activism, and they may take justifiable pride in their rich history  
4 of civic engagement and their reputation for vitality,  
5 congeniality, and camaraderie; now, therefore, be it

6         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby honor the Conner Harrington Republican Women for  
8 their many years of service and extend to them sincere best wishes  
9 for the future; and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
12 House of Representatives.