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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, For more than four decades, the Friends of the  
2 Rockwall County Library organization has been the major advocate  
3 for the library and for the readers of Rockwall County; and

4           WHEREAS, Founded in 1972, Friends of the Rockwall County  
5 Library provides supplemental financial support to the Rockwall  
6 County Library and works to increase awareness of the institution's  
7 programs and services; and

8           WHEREAS, Over the years, the group has raised money with its  
9 Lunch Basket program and special events and from donations by its  
10 business partners; the funds have gone to ensure the continuation  
11 of existing programs and to purchase additional books, materials,  
12 and equipment not covered by the county budget; and

13           WHEREAS, Since 2000, Friends has led the effort to finance  
14 and build a new county library building, and it has been the leading  
15 financial supporter of classes in GED, adult literacy, citizenship  
16 test preparation, and English as a Second Language (ESL); the  
17 organization has also purchased two new children's learning  
18 computers, a portable sound system, and a new white board, and it  
19 has contributed funds toward the expansion of the Large Print  
20 collection and toward the Summer Reading program, which reaches  
21 some 2,800 children, teens, and adults; and

22           WHEREAS, Thanks in large part to the volunteers of the  
23 Friends of the Rockwall County Library over the past 43 years, the  
24 library in Rockwall County continues to thrive as a source of

1 education, inspiration, and entertainment for its community; now,  
2 therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby commend the work of Friends of the Rockwall  
5 Library and extend to the group's officers and volunteers sincere  
6 best wishes for continued success with their important work; and,  
7 be it further

8         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for Friends of the Rockwall County Library as an  
10 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.