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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pat Stephens of Dallas has been named the recipient
2 of a 2015 Unsung Hero Award by Eta Phi Beta Sorority for her
3 outstanding contributions to her community; and

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Stephens's record of civic engagement dates
5 back to 1972, when she established the Silver Chain Social and
6 Charity Club to serve less fortunate citizens in Dallas; eager to
7 inspire another generation of Texans, she later organized the
8 Silver Chain Youth Group to spread her message of selfless service
9 and giving back among young people in the community; and

10 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan founded the Westmoreland
11 Heights Neighborhood Association in 1985 and has led the group for
12 the past three decades; in addition, Mrs. Stephens played an
13 integral role in the development of the Westmoreland Heights
14 Community Center, whose program includes classes in computer
15 skills, parenting, and financial literacy and whose food pantry
16 provides vital assistance to more than four hundred families each
17 month; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Stephens has also given freely of her time and
19 talents as a Cub Scout leader, as a volunteer for Clean West Dallas,
20 and as a board member for the Martin Luther King Jr. Community
21 Center; moreover, she helps sponsor yearly trips for high-achieving
22 students in the area and manages a care group at the Dallas West
23 Church of Christ, where she worships; and

24 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Mrs. Stephens enjoys the love

1 and support of a fine family that includes her husband of nearly 50
2 years, John Stephens, their children, Sherry, Kelvin, and
3 Christopher, and their 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Through her caring, committed, and dynamic
6 leadership, Pat Stephens has made a positive difference in the
7 lives of countless West Dallas residents, and she is truly
8 deserving of this prestigious award; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Pat Stephens on being named a 2015
11 Unsung Hero Award winner by Eta Phi Beta Sorority and extend to her
12 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mrs. Stephens as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.