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H.R. No. 274

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sister Rosalie Karstedt is being recognized for her
2 community service at the Fifth Annual Maxine Spates and Isadora
3 Wills Scholarship Luncheon on September 9, 2017; and

4 WHEREAS, This notable event is hosted by Catholic Daughters
5 of the Americas--Mother of Love Court No. 2092 in Houston;
6 established in 1974 at Resurrection Catholic Church and guided by
7 the CDA motto, "Unity and Charity," this group is composed of women
8 from several local parishes who work tirelessly to promote social
9 justice and advance human rights; and

10 WHEREAS, Rosalie Karstedt joined the convent of the Sisters
11 of Divine Providence in San Antonio in 1961; she began her service
12 in the ministry in Houston, where she was instrumental in forming an
13 integrated religious education faculty to serve the fast-growing
14 Anglo, Hispanic, and black communities in St. Benedict the Abbot
15 Parish; as president of the Diocesan Sisters Council, she was
16 active in raising support among the various congregations of Women
17 Religious to establish The Metropolitan Organization of the
18 diocese; and

19 WHEREAS, During her tenure in the Office of Vocations for the
20 Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, Sister Karstedt witnessed the
21 ordinations of 77 priests from diverse cultures and backgrounds,
22 many of whom she had mentored over the years; she continued her work
23 in uniting clergy and parishioners from all walks of life while
24 initiating the development of the first Diocesan Vocational

1 Council; elected to the leadership council of the Congregation of
2 Divine Providence in 2005, she later returned to Houston to join the
3 formation faculty at St. Mary's Seminary; to date, she has served
4 more than 40 years in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, where
5 she continues to nurture the spiritual development of aspiring
6 priests of all cultures and ethnicities; and

7 WHEREAS, An engaged civic leader, Rosalie Karstedt has given
8 freely of her time and talents for the benefit of her fellow
9 citizens, and her dedication and generosity are an inspiration to
10 all who know her; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
12 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Sister
13 Rosalie Karstedt on being honored by Catholic Daughters of the
14 Americas--Mother of Love Court No. 2092 at its Fifth Annual Maxine
15 Spates and Isadora Wills Scholarship Luncheon and extend to her
16 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Sister Karstedt as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.