

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, For 25 years, the Cooke County Republican Women have  
2 worked tirelessly to advance the goals and values of the Republican  
3 Party in Texas; and

4           WHEREAS, This notable organization was established as an  
5 affiliate of the Texas Federation of Republican Women on October  
6 21, 1991, by founders Shirley Newton, Ann Scivally, Monica Lamb,  
7 Maxine Cole, Edythe Rodgers, Essie Fae Scott, Audrey Silvernale,  
8 Mary Fellers, Rita McCreary, and Carol Washburn; the women were  
9 further aided by two experienced political volunteers and new  
10 arrivals to Cooke County, Marcia Saunders and Pat Peale, whose  
11 knowledge and insight helped the club to become an active force in  
12 local politics; and

13           WHEREAS, Under the guidance of Ms. Saunders and Ms. Peale,  
14 the Cooke County Republican Women coordinated grassroots  
15 activities to earn support for Republican candidates, and they also  
16 held fund-raisers and sought out prominent Republican speakers;  
17 their efforts were instrumental in turning the tide on the  
18 Democratic Party's long-standing dominance in Cooke County  
19 government, and within a decade and a half, almost all the elected  
20 offices in the county were held by Republicans; and

21           WHEREAS, Following the example of engaged citizenship set by  
22 their founders, the Cooke County Republican Women continue to  
23 promote a stronger party and a more unified, informed, and  
24 enthusiastic base of Republican voters, and they may take pride in

1 their accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
3 Legislature hereby honor the founders of the Cooke County  
4 Republican Women on the occasion of its 25th anniversary and extend  
5 to all those associated with the club sincere best wishes for the  
6 future; and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for the Cooke County Republican Women as an expression of  
9 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 755

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 755 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House