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## RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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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.