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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jessica Fountain is celebrating her 59th birthday on
2 May 7, 2017, and friends and admirers are gathering to extend to her
3 their congratulations and best wishes; and

4 WHEREAS, The daughter of Leo "Joe" Fountain and Jessie
5 Fountain, Jessica Fountain was born in Center in 1958 and grew up
6 with four siblings, Sharon, Leon, LaJuanah, and Keith; she
7 graduated from Center High School and went on to major in business
8 technology at the University of Houston's central campus; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. Fountain joined the United States Postal Service
10 in 1977 as a manual distribution clerk; over the course of a career
11 spanning more than four decades, she has risen to become executive
12 administrative assistant to the Houston district manager; she has
13 received numerous professional accolades, among them the Area Vice
14 President Award and Shining Star Award; and

15 WHEREAS, Active in her community, Ms. Fountain is a member of
16 the Missouri City/Houston Space City Chapter of Top Ladies of
17 Distinction; she serves the group as a Top Teen Mentor, and she has
18 participated in a host of the chapter's initiatives, including the
19 UNCF Top Teen Gala, the Visible Litter Study, and the March of Dimes
20 and Sisters Network Walk-a-thons; in 2009, she was named Top Lady of
21 the Year; she is also a charter member of the Barbara Jordan Houston
22 Section of the National Council of Negro Women, and she has
23 volunteered for such worthy causes and organizations as Habitat for
24 Humanity, Evergreen Negro Cemetery Project Respect, and the

1 restoration of Olivewood Cemetery; a valued member of the Church at
2 Bethel's Family, she serves as a member of its education and
3 scholarship ministry and as treasurer of its greeters ministry; she
4 has given generously of her time and talents to support the
5 congregation's charitable endeavors as well; and

6 WHEREAS, With the passage of another year, Jessica Fountain
7 may reflect with pride on her accomplishments and on the many
8 significant contributions she has made in behalf of her fellow
9 citizens; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate Jessica Fountain on the occasion of
12 her 59th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for
13 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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