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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The observance of International Women's Day on
2 March 8, 2025, provides a fitting opportunity to recognize Texas
3 Women's Foundation for its notable contributions; and

4 WHEREAS, This outstanding organization can trace its history
5 to 1985, when a group of 19 brave and bold women, including the
6 Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison, established Dallas Women's
7 Foundation to help ensure that adequate resources were being
8 directed to address the needs of women and girls; over the years,
9 the organization has expanded to serve communities across Texas,
10 and it has invested \$85 million in research, advocacy, grantmaking,
11 and leadership development to create an equitable society in which
12 women and girls can fully participate; and

13 WHEREAS, Since its inception, Texas Women's Foundation has
14 impacted more than 90,000 women, girls, and families statewide
15 through its economic security initiatives and its investment in
16 lifecycle leadership development, including programs such as
17 #BestSelf, the Young Women's Initiative, the Women's Leadership
18 Institute, and the annual Leadership Forum & Awards Celebration;
19 the organization has benefited from the generous support of its
20 donors and philanthropic partners, which include the Hispanic 100
21 Latina Giving Circle, the Orchid Giving Circle, and the Village
22 Giving Circle; and

23 WHEREAS, Texas Women's Foundation commissions biannual
24 research on the barriers that challenge the economic security,

1 stability, and success of Texas women and families and that
2 negatively impact the state's economy; the organization freely
3 shares its *Economic Issues for Women in Texas Report* to inform
4 corporate and community leaders, policymakers, and lawmakers
5 statewide as they work to support meaningful change in the lives of
6 the 14.7 million women and girls who call Texas home; and

7 WHEREAS, Over the past four decades, Texas Women's Foundation
8 has empowered numerous women to build an even brighter future for
9 themselves and their communities, and the organization is truly
10 deserving of special recognition for its many achievements; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
13 Legislature hereby honor Texas Women's Foundation on the occasion
14 of International Women's Day and extend to all those affiliated
15 with the organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it
16 further

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