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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 203

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Mandeville Republican Women on forty years of volunteer public service throughout Louisiana.

WHEREAS, in 1984, Lane Carson, state chairman of the Reagan/Bush campaign and DeNell Haines, a dedicated republican woman, hosted an organizational meeting for seventeen women who believed that it was time for a republican women's club in Mandeville; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 1984, the Mandeville Republican Women's Club received its charter from the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW), establishing it as an affiliate of both the NFRW and the Louisiana Federation of Republican Women; and

WHEREAS, the first initiative that the ladies undertook was to establish a Reagan/Bush Victory Team Headquarters and to organize voter registration at Mandeville city hall; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, the club began promoting an informed public through political education and activities, coordinating campaign efforts and volunteer support, providing forums for candidates and elected officials to meet their constituents and hear from the voters, as well as recruiting and training candidates to run for office; and

WHEREAS, the women continue these activities along with providing voter education and information to interested citizens; the club is recognized as a powerful volunteer political force locally and throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, in 1988 the members played a major role in hosting the Republican National Committee Convention in New Orleans, which is still a fond memory among the party; and

WHEREAS, the club has received awards including the NFRW Diamond and Gold Awards and club awards for fundraising, community service, membership growth, and literacy; and

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WHEREAS, in conjunction with the club's success over the years, many Mandeville Republican Women members have been recognized for their leadership and service and appointed or elected to a variety of offices at the local, state, and federal levels; and

WHEREAS, the Mandeville Republican Women hosts several signature events in Mandeville: the Fall Card Party, Christmas Membership Tea and Auction, Candidates' Jazz Brunch and Glad Hatters' Competition, Storybook Christmas, and the Passion for Fashion show; and

WHEREAS, for forty years, members of the Mandeville Republican Women's Club have been dedicated to making a difference in the community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Mandeville Republican Women on forty years of volunteer public service throughout the state and does hereby recognize the accomplishments of the Mandeville Republican Women's Club.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES