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H. RES. 160

Honoring the 50th anniversary of the Houston Forward Times.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. CHU, Mr. RICHMOND, Ms. WATERS, Ms. MOORE, Ms. RICHARDSON, and Mr. AL GREEN of Texas) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Honoring the 50th anniversary of the Houston Forward
Times.

Whereas the Houston Forward Times newspaper was founded in 1960 in the heat of the civil rights movement as a means to communicate the struggle to the African-American community in Houston, Texas;

Whereas the Houston Forward Times is the largest independently owned and operated African-American newspaper published in the Southwest area, reaching over three-fourths of Houston's African-American population;

Whereas the Houston Forward Times devotes more space to the positive news and accomplishments of African-Americans within the community than any other news source;

Whereas the Houston Forward Times has endured the passing of its original founder Julius P. Carter in 1971, and the recent passing of his wife, Lenora “Doll” Carter, who succeeded him as publisher and CEO;

Whereas both Julius and Lenora “Doll” Carter were committed to reporting the hard truths about what is happening in their community on the local, State, and national levels, whether this be during the heat of the civil rights movement or contemporary society;

Whereas Lenora “Doll” Carter, now succeeded by her eager and more than qualified daughter, was an icon in Black media, receiving awards, including the National Newspaper Publishers Association’s Publisher of the Year Award, the NAACP’s Mickey Leland Humanitarian Award, the National Council of Negro Women Pacesetters Award, and the Ethel Ransom Art and Literary Outstanding Leadership Award, would have celebrated her 70th birthday on March 12, 2011; and

Whereas for 50 years, the Houston Forward Times has made it its duty to inform the community of the true issues that affect all people of the United States with a Black perspective, all the while exercising journalistic excellence in layout, design, circulation, and editorial quality: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) honors the 50th anniversary of the Houston
- 3 Forward Times as they serve the African-American
- 4 community’s need for information; and

1 (2) looks forward to the continuation of this es-
2 teemed publication living up to its name and serving
3 as “a beacon on the hill” and shining “the light of
4 truth for the community to march forward with the
5 times”.

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