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H.R. No. 290

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Bar College is celebrating its 40th
2 anniversary on December 14, 2021; and

3 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of Texas founded the College of
4 the State Bar of Texas on December 14, 1981; formally renamed the
5 Texas Bar College in 2015, the organization recognizes and
6 encourages lawyers, paralegals, and judges who maintain and enhance
7 their professional skills by voluntarily participating in legal
8 education; with more than 4,800 members, the college offers
9 continuing legal education courses that enable participants to
10 learn about important developments in their areas of practice; and

11 WHEREAS, In 2005, the college established an endowment to
12 support a number of educational opportunities, including a
13 Continuing Legal Education Subsidy Grant program to assist pro bono
14 organizations and local and minority bar associations with limited
15 resources in bringing quality continuing legal education
16 activities to their area; the fund also supports Oyez, Oyez, Oh
17 Yay!, an education project for Texas students and teachers to learn
18 about the role of the judicial system, as well as substance abuse
19 and mental health treatment through the Texas Lawyers' Assistance
20 Program; in 2017, the endowment donated to the Houston Volunteer
21 Lawyers program and Lone Star Legal Aid to fund direct legal
22 services to low-income residents coping with issues in the
23 aftermath of Hurricane Harvey; and

24 WHEREAS, For four decades, the Texas Bar College has

1 demonstrated an unwavering commitment to helping legal
2 professionals in the state better serve the public, and it is a
3 pleasure to join in recognizing this special milestone in the
4 organization's history; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
6 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commemorate the 40th
7 anniversary of Texas Bar College and extend to all those associated
8 with the organization sincere best wishes for continued success;
9 and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for the Texas Bar College as an expression of high regard
12 by the Texas House of Representatives.