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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memorial Hermann Health System was named the 2023

winner of the Foster G. McGaw Prize for Excellence in Community

3 Service by the American Hospital Association; and

4 WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Baxter International Foundation,

5 the AHA, and the AHA-affiliated Health Research & Educational

6 Trust, the Foster G. McGaw Prize is awarded annually to a health

7 care organization that has gone above and beyond to improve

8 community health and health equity by forging innovative

9 partnerships; Memorial Hermann Health System was honored with the

10 award in April 2023 at the AHA Annual Membership Meeting in

11 Washington, D.C., where it received \$100,000 to go toward programs

12 that will further these goals; and

WHEREAS, With a network of 32,000 employees, 6,700 affiliated

14 physicians, and over 265 care delivery sites, Memorial Hermann is

15 one of the largest not-for-profit health systems in the state of

16 Texas; Memorial Hermann has been hailed for its many

17 community-focused initiatives, which include a free, 24-hour nurse

18 health line that directs callers to the appropriate level of care,

19 thereby helping them to avoid costly and unnecessary emergency room

20 visits; it is also recognized for the positive impact it has had in

21 the area through its physical fitness initiative StepHEALTHY, its

22 health centers serving children who are uninsured or covered by

23 Medicaid, its comprehensive community resource centers, and its

24 mental health crisis clinics; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, Memorial Hermann Health System has distinguished
- 2 itself not only as a premier health care provider but also as a
- 3 considerable force for good in the Greater Houston area, and it has
- 4 set a standard of excellence to which other hospital systems may
- 5 aspire; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Memorial Hermann Health System on
- 8 its receipt of the 2023 Foster G. McGaw Prize for Excellence in
- 9 Community Service from the American Hospital Association and extend
- 10 sincere best wishes to all those affiliated with this outstanding
- 11 institution; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for Memorial Hermann Health System as an expression of
- 14 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.