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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Austin Habitat for Humanity on the occasion of its 40th anniversary and on its collaboration with the 2025 Carter Work Project; and

WHEREAS, For four decades, the staff, donors, community partners, and volunteers of Austin Habitat for Humanity have worked to uphold the organization's core principle and belief that all people deserve a safe and affordable place to live by building a better future for Central Texans and by strengthening communities in Bastrop, Blanco, Caldwell, Hays, and Travis Counties; and

WHEREAS, In addition to enabling the construction of homes, Austin Habitat for Humanity expands access for families to obtain affordable housing by addressing such issues as marginalization, land use policy, and high population density in Central Texas; and

WHEREAS, Austin Habitat for Humanity will celebrate 40 years of advocacy in May of 2025, and it will continue its commitment to service throughout the anniversary year by hosting the 2025 Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project from October 26 through 31; this highly anticipated annual event has traveled to locations nationally and worldwide to unite thousands of volunteers, officials, and public figures to build homes and to

highlight the critical need for affordable homeownership opportunities; this year's event in eastern Travis County will begin construction on the first fully geothermal neighborhood in the United States; and

WHEREAS, In the course of this exemplary 40-year program, the Carter Work Project has made a difference in the lives of countless families; it is indeed fitting that Austin Habitat for Humanity is honored with the opportunity to host this year's historic event in concurrance with its 40th anniversary celebration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby commend the staff, volunteers, and stakeholders of Austin Habitat for Humanity on their contributions to housing accessibility in Central Texas and extend to all best wishes for a memorable anniversary celebration and for a successful and rewarding 2025 Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project event; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.