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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Lopez Health Systems, Inc., provides vital health

2 care services to numerous people in Central Texas and the Rio Grande

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WHEREAS, Since first opening its doors on November 17, 1990,

in Crystal City, Zavala County, Lopez Health Systems has expanded

its service area to include Dimmit, Frio, Hidalgo, Kinney, La

Salle, Maverick, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, Zapata, and Webb

8 counties; and

9 WHEREAS, A critical factor in the organization's success has

been its ability to respond creatively to the needs of its clients;

in 1998, for example, it opened Las Sendas Adult Day Activities

12 Health Center in Crystal City; today, in addition to primary

skilled care and adult day care, Lopez Health Systems offers

community-based alternatives and a home modification program; and

WHEREAS, The Lopez Health Systems staff has earned excellent

performance evaluations from the Texas Department of Human

Services, Texas Department of Health, USDA Food Service program,

and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and

19 WHEREAS, The exceptional dedication of this staff has also

been evidenced by their many communications of concern regarding

the provision of health care to medically needy adults in their

region, services that are essential to House District 80 and a

23 priority for the Texas Legislature; and

24 WHEREAS, In addition to fulfilling its primary mission, Lopez

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Health Systems has contributed substantially to its 12-county region through its support of schools, religious and nonprofit social service organizations, and scholarship funds; moreover, it plays a significant role in the local economy through its employment of 76 full-time staff and administrators and 1,200 part-time attendants; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 13 years, this respected organization has provided outstanding health care to countless individuals while working in many other ways to improve the quality of life for area residents and strengthen local communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor all those associated with Lopez Health Systems, Inc., for their immeasurable contributions to the well-being of their communities and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success in the years to come.