

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Presbyterian Hospital of Allen has been awarded  
2 "distinguished" certification by the Texas Department of Health  
3 (TDH) for the facility's Newborn Hearing Screening Program; and

4           WHEREAS, Managed by Inez Brown, R.N., the hospital's  
5 excellent program was initiated after the passage of House Bill 714  
6 during the 76th Texas Legislature; the bill mandates the testing of  
7 newborns for hearing loss, since significant hearing impairment is  
8 a common developmental problem present at birth; and

9           WHEREAS, The staff of Presbyterian Hospital of Allen provides  
10 an exceptional service to the families of newborn babies, beginning  
11 with its offer of a hearing screen for infants during the birth  
12 admission; 98 percent of newborns are consequently screened at that  
13 time, and though 95 percent of the babies tested pass the birth  
14 admission screening process, those with abnormal results are  
15 reported to their attending physicians or health care provider, as  
16 well as to TDH; and

17           WHEREAS, Presbyterian Hospital of Allen staff members are  
18 dedicated to bettering the quality of life for citizens of all ages,  
19 and it is most appropriate that this fine health care facility be  
20 recognized at this time; now, therefore, be it

21           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
22 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the staff  
23 members of Presbyterian Hospital of Allen for earning  
24 "distinguished" certification from the Texas Department of Health

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1 for their Newborn Hearing Screening Program and extend to them best  
2 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for Presbyterian Hospital of Allen as an expression of  
5 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 54 was adopted by the House on  
September 16, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House