

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Universal Health Services, Inc. (UHS) and Fort
2 Duncan Medical Center (FDMC) have recently announced an approved
3 plan to build a state-of-the-art hospital in Eagle Pass, and this
4 promising new development in border health care is truly deserving
5 of legislative recognition; and

6 WHEREAS, A subsidiary of UHS, one of the nation's largest
7 hospital management companies, FDMC annually admits on average
8 4,600 patients, sees 13,000 emergency room patients, performs more
9 than 3,200 surgery cases, and delivers 1,000 babies; the new
10 102-bed facility will be constructed on 52 acres of land owned by
11 Fort Duncan Medical Center, which will recruit more than a dozen new
12 physicians for the hospital, further enhancing the availability of
13 treatment; and

14 WHEREAS, Deserving of much credit for this successful
15 enterprise is the FDMC staff and management, including managing
16 director Elmo Lopez, Jr., UHS central region vice president Robert
17 Smith, chief operating officer Eladio Montalvo, chief nursing
18 officer Rebecca Rios, and chief financial officer David Shoemaker;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, The dedication of Mr. Lopez and these notable health
21 care professionals has contributed to a higher level of health care
22 for local residents, making Eagle Pass a regional leader in health
23 care service and contributing to FDMC being named the Healthcare
24 Provider of the Year and Mr. Lopez being named Business Manager of

1 the Year during the Ninth Annual Eagle Pass Journal Awards; now,
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
4 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Universal
5 Health Services, Inc., and Fort Duncan Medical Center on the
6 announcement of the plan to build their new hospital and extend to
7 everyone participating in this noteworthy undertaking best wishes
8 for future success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Universal Health Services, Inc., and Fort Duncan
11 Medical Center as an expression of the sentiment of the Texas House
12 of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 302

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 302 was adopted by the House on
October 8, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House