

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives takes pleasure in
2 welcoming a visiting delegation from Catholic Charities and salutes
3 the members of the organization for their many good works over the
4 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Present in dioceses across Texas, and the
6 Archdiocese of San Antonio, Catholic Charities extends to persons
7 of all races, religions, and socioeconomic backgrounds the healing
8 power of faith as well as tangible assistance, with the goal of
9 helping them reach self-sufficiency; and

10 WHEREAS, Among the many programs and services provided by
11 Catholic Charities are adoption, basic personal-living needs,
12 counseling, disaster response, education and enrichment, housing,
13 food bank, health, refugee, and social support, and in 2001 alone
14 the organization aided more than 325,000 individuals; and

15 WHEREAS, In addition to its assistance programs, Catholic
16 Charities is a continuing advocate of social justice and seeks to
17 empower communities through action and education with the guiding
18 principle of ensuring basic human dignity for all; and

19 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities, in concert with health and human
20 services agencies, has offered many Texans the support and
21 direction they need to secure a brighter future, and the
22 organization's humanitarianism enriches us all; now, therefore, be
23 it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby extend a warm welcome to the members of the
2 Catholic Charities delegation on the occasion of their visit to the
3 State Capitol and commend all those associated with the
4 organization for their ongoing efforts to make a positive
5 difference in the lives of others; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Catholic Charities as an expression of high regard by
8 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 32 was adopted by the House on January 28, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House