

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Founded in 1990, Brighter Tomorrows was established
2 to provide a safe, empowering environment for survivors of domestic
3 violence and sexual assault and to help them in breaking the often
4 cyclical pattern of abuse; and

5 WHEREAS, The first Brighter Tomorrows facility was located in
6 Grand Prairie, and over the years the organization has expanded to
7 include shelters in DeSoto and Irving, as well as a Women's Resource
8 Center in Cedar Hill; and

9 WHEREAS, These valuable facilities offer not only emergency
10 refuge from abuse, but also crisis counseling, support groups,
11 legal advocacy, and hospital and court accompaniment; in addition,
12 local residents can benefit from the organization's free parenting
13 classes, community education presentations, professional training,
14 and a 24-hour crisis hotline; and

15 WHEREAS, Currently under the leadership of Jana Barker, a
16 founder and the organization's executive director since 1992,
17 Brighter Tomorrows has provided individuals with the support,
18 education, and services essential for overcoming domestic violence
19 and sexual assault, and it is most deserving of special
20 recognition; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
22 Legislature hereby commend Jana Barker and all those associated
23 with Brighter Tomorrows for their dedication and contributions to
24 the community and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued

1 success; and, be it further

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

Allen

H.R. No. 337

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 337 was adopted by the House on March 17, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House