By: Uresti H.R. No. 242

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Heart Gallery of San Antonio has been organized 2 and supported through the efforts of dedicated local citizens who

3 believe in the importance of adoption as a means of improving the

4 lives of abused and neglected children; and

5 WHEREAS, Using the talents of gifted local photographers, the

6 gallery replaces dry statistics with artistic portraits, both to

7 tell the human story underlying every adoption and to convey the

8 unique personality of each child in need of a home; and

9 WHEREAS, Each year, thousands of Texas children await

adoption by families who will provide the love, support, and

acceptance that are associated with a happy home, and raising

awareness of the need for adoptive homes is a key to increasing the

13 availability of such homes; and

14 WHEREAS, The State of Texas and the Texas House of

15 Representatives recognize the central role adoption plays in the

16 efforts of the state to safeguard and protect the lives of its

17 future, the children of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Local organizations and efforts to successfully

place children in permanent adoptive homes are the foundation of

the state's investment in adoption services; Texas depends heavily

21 upon the commitment of local communities to promote and facilitate

22 the gift and blessing that adoption represents to all parties

23 involved; and

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24 WHEREAS, Through the establishment of the Heart Gallery, the

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- 1 people of Bexar County and San Antonio have once again risen to the
- 2 challenge of child maltreatment with their financial resources,
- 3 time, open hearts, and creative minds, and their endeavors in this
- 4 regard merit special recognition; now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 6 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend the efforts of the
- 7 photographers, organizers, and supporters of the Heart Gallery of
- 8 San Antonio and extend to them sincere gratitude and warmest wishes
- 9 for their success; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared so that all who read it may know that the protection of
- 12 Texas' most precious resource, our children, is a responsibility
- 13 that depends upon the continued efforts of dedicated and vigilant
- 14 members of communities across the great State of Texas.