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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week is being observed from April 17 to 23, 2005, and this annual occurrence provides a fitting opportunity to recognize the volunteers of the Waco Center for Youth who have given generously of their time and talents to benefit

the residents of the center; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1979 as the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation's first residential psychiatric treatment facility for emotionally disturbed children and adolescents, the Waco Center for Youth affirms that each young Texan deserves a chance for change; the center strives to provide long-term treatment of the highest caliber that will give individuals the skills necessary to become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, Much of the center's success depends on its volunteer workforce; each year, more than 300 dedicated men and women and nearly 50 volunteer organizations freely offer their services to the center; and

WHEREAS, By supporting the important work of the Waco Center for Youth, each of the volunteers has not only demonstrated a deep commitment to the community but also has helped to ensure that the center's residents acquire opportunities they need to bring about positive change in their lives; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 24 Legislature hereby honor the volunteers of the Waco Center for

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- 1 Youth and commend them for their exceptional service; and, be it
- 2 further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for the center's volunteers as an expression of high
- 5 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 970 was adopted by the House on April 4, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House