

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 more than 20 locations across Texas,
6 Catholic Charities extends to persons of all races, religions, and
7 socioeconomic backgrounds the healing power of faith, as well as
8 tangible assistance, with the goal of helping them reach
9 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, immigration, and social support, and in
14 2006 alone the organization aided more than 400,000 individuals;
15 and

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

20 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities, in collaboration with health
21 and human services agencies, has offered many Texans the support
22 and direction they need to secure a brighter future, and the
23 organization's spiritual foundation enriches us all; and

24 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Pena has justly recognized

1 Catholic Charities by authoring this resolution in its behalf
2 during the Regular Session of the 80th Texas Legislature; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
5 Legislature hereby extend a warm welcome to the members of the
6 Catholic Charities delegation on the occasion of their visit to the
7 State Capitol and commend all those associated with the
8 organization for their ongoing efforts to make a positive
9 difference in the lives of others; and, be it further

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

Pena

H.R. No. 208

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 208 was adopted by the House on
February 6, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House