RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Permian Basin Community Centers is celebrating its 2 40th anniversary in 2009, and this milestone provides an ideal
- 3 occasion to recognize the many significant contributions of this
- 4 agency; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The City of Midland and Midland County founded the
- 6 Midland Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers in 1969; three
- 7 years later, the agency added Odessa and Ector County to its service
- 8 area and changed its name to Permian Basin Community Centers;
- 9 today, it employs a staff of more than 300 to serve Brewster,
- 10 Culberson, Ector, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Midland, Pecos, and
- 11 Presidio Counties, providing a comprehensive array of services to
- 12 enable individuals with mental illness, mental retardation, and
- 13 chemical dependency to live more satisfying and productive lives;
- 14 and
- 15 WHEREAS, PBCC Mental Health Services helps adults and
- 16 children through screening, assessment, and service coordination,
- 17 and it provides training in conflict resolution, independent
- 18 living, and employment-related skills; the agency also provides
- 19 crisis intervention and suicide prevention, and its assistance for
- 20 the chemically dependent includes residential treatment as well as
- 21 outreach, intervention, and specialized programs; and
- 22 WHEREAS, PBCC assists individuals with mental retardation
- 23 through diagnostic evaluations, residential placement, in-home
- 24 support, and recreational, vocational, and respite programs, among

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- 1 other services; in addition, it supports the well-being of area
- 2 residents with HIV testing, education, and outreach services and
- 3 with early childhood intervention for developmentally delayed
- 4 children; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Led since 1995 by executive director Larry Carroll,
- 6 the highly trained staff of Permian Basin Community Centers works
- 7 with tremendous skill and dedication, and these outstanding
- 8 professionals truly merit special commendation for their
- 9 incalculable contributions to their community; now, therefore, be
- 10 it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 12 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the
- 13 administration and staff of Permian Basin Community Centers on the
- 14 occasion of their agency's 40th anniversary and extend to them
- 15 sincere best wishes for continued success in their vital endeavors;
- 16 and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 18 prepared for Permian Basin Community Centers as an expression of
- 19 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 13 was adopted by the House on July 2, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House