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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, and the
- 2 Relief Nursery of Collin County is hosting a fund-raiser on April
- 3 25, 2009, to promote its outreach programs and raise awareness
- 4 about this critical issue; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The event, Ride for Relief Nursery, is a 45-mile
- 6 motorcycle ride through western Collin County, and its proceeds are
- 7 helping sustain the services provided by the Relief Nursery; this
- 8 nonprofit child abuse prevention agency is supported by the
- 9 Prevention and Early Intervention Division of the Texas Department
- 10 of Family and Protective Services, and it is modeled after a
- 11 successful program in Oregon; the organization seeks to prevent the
- 12 cycle of child abuse and neglect through early intervention that
- 13 focuses on strengthening parents and children and on preserving
- 14 families; and
- WHEREAS, Relief Nursery has built a strong partnership with
- 16 the Collin County Children's Advocacy Center and CITY House, and
- 17 together, these groups have created a vital safety net for local
- 18 residents; while the Advocacy Center and CITY House become involved
- 19 after child abuse or neglect has occurred, Relief Nursery
- 20 identifies families that are at risk for abuse or neglect and steps
- 21 in to offer such services as therapeutic early childhood
- 22 classrooms, parent education classes, and home visits, in an effort
- 23 to protect the welfare of the children; and
- 24 WHEREAS, With its unwavering commitment to children and

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- 1 families, the Relief Nursery of Collin County has made a positive
- 2 difference in the lives of many, and the significance of its work
- 3 resonates in the Lone Star State and beyond; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2009 Ride for Relief Nursery of
- 6 Collin County and extend to all participants best wishes for a
- 7 successful event; and, be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 9 prepared for the Relief Nursery of Collin County as an expression of
- 10 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.