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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Stork's Nest program has helped many expectant
- 2 mothers in El Paso to deliver healthy, full-term babies; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Part of a national collaboration between Zeta Phi
- 4 Beta Sorority, Inc., and the March of Dimes, Stork's Nest
- 5 encourages low-income pregnant women to get early, regular prenatal
- 6 care through earned incentives; and
- WHEREAS, In El Paso, the program is administered in part by
- 8 the Eta Iota Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, which united
- 9 with the local chapter of the March of Dimes to create a Stork's
- 10 Nest Center; the facility opened on November 17, 2007, and today it
- 11 serves 235 young women, most of whom are between the ages of 13 and
- 12 19; and
- WHEREAS, Participants earn points for abstaining from drugs
- 14 and alcohol, keeping regularly scheduled doctor appointments, and
- 15 attending prenatal classes offered at the center; points are
- 16 redeemable for such infant necessities as cribs, car seats, and
- 17 strollers; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The El Paso Stork's Nest program is providing an
- 19 invaluable public health service, and its efforts are truly worthy
- 20 of commendation; now, therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 22 Legislature hereby honor the El Paso Stork's Nest for its work to
- 23 promote prenatal care and extend sincere best wishes for continued
- 24 success to all those associated with this worthwhile initiative;

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- 1 and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for the El Paso Stork's Nest as an expression of high
- 4 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.