

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Access to the courts is crucial for individuals
2 seeking justice, such as victims of domestic violence, veterans
3 wrongly denied their benefits, and families improperly evicted from
4 their homes, and the integrity of the civil justice system demands
5 that this access be available to every Texan, regardless of
6 individual financial circumstances; and

7 WHEREAS, Today, some 5.7 million residents of the Lone Star
8 State, including many who are elderly and disabled, qualify for
9 legal aid, yet funding serves less than a fourth of those in need;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Supreme Court have strongly
12 advocated for adequate funding to ensure that all citizens have
13 equal access to the civil justice system, and their efforts have
14 increased awareness of the importance of legal aid and the
15 necessity for coordination and support of pro bono work by members
16 of the State Bar of Texas; and

17 WHEREAS, These endeavors are greatly benefitting innumerable
18 Texans and advancing the cause of justice throughout the Lone Star
19 State; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas,
21 1st Called Session, hereby commend the members of the Texas Supreme
22 Court for their actions in support of legal aid services and honor
23 them for their work in promoting access to justice for the state's
24 most vulnerable citizens; and, be it further

H.C.R. No. 22

1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for the Texas Supreme Court as an expression of high regard
3 by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 22 was adopted by the House on June 27, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 22 was adopted by the Senate on June 27, 2011, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____
Date

Governor