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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Center for Public Policy Priorities in Austin is
2 celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2011; and

3 WHEREAS, CPPP evolved from the Benedictine Resource Center,
4 which was founded by the Congregation of Benedictine Sisters in the
5 mid-1980s in Boerne; the group opened an Austin office to examine
6 health care issues, and eventually that location became a
7 broad-based policy research center, adopting its current name in
8 1991 and becoming a 501(c)(3) organization in 1999; and

9 WHEREAS, While continuing its work on health care, CPPP today
10 is dedicated to changing public policy for the benefit of low- and
11 moderate-income Texans, with an emphasis on improving nutrition,
12 the state's workforce, economic development, and child well-being;
13 the organization pursues its goals through a combination of
14 research, analysis, education, and communication, and through the
15 years, it has achieved a variety of successes, with numerous state
16 initiatives and policies growing directly out of its solutions and
17 proposals; and

18 WHEREAS, CPPP is also distinguished as the Texas home to KIDS
19 COUNT, a state-by-state and county-by-county effort to track and
20 address the needs of children, and it is part of other national
21 efforts such as the State Fiscal Analysis Initiative and the
22 Economic Analysis and Research Network; and

23 WHEREAS, Focused solely on evaluating public policy as it
24 affects the least fortunate Texans, CPPP serves as a vital

1 nonpartisan resource for leaders, policymakers, citizens, and
2 organizations across the state, and it is indeed fitting to
3 recognize the center on the occasion of this milestone year; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
6 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor the Center for Public
7 Policy Priorities on its 25th anniversary and extend to all those
8 affiliated with the organization sincere best wishes for continued
9 success with their important work; and, be it further

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