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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Volar Center for Independent Living in El Paso  
2 has been named the 2011 Center for Independent Living of the Year by  
3 the State of Texas; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1981 by the Texas Rehabilitation  
5 Commission and EPOCH, the Volar Center for Independent Living is a  
6 private nonprofit corporation led by and for individuals with  
7 disabilities; and

8 WHEREAS, The organization is dedicated to advocating human  
9 and civil rights, bolstering opportunities in the community, and  
10 empowering men and women with special needs to control and direct  
11 their own lives; in an effort to meet these worthwhile goals, Volar  
12 offers information, referral, and transportation services,  
13 independent living skills training, and peer counseling; in  
14 addition, the center hosts a Home By Choice program to assist men  
15 and women as they transition out of nursing facilities and a lending  
16 closet to supply medical equipment to people in need; and

17 WHEREAS, For 30 years, the Volar Center for Independent  
18 Living has helped to enhance the lives of many West Texans, and all  
19 those associated with this notable enterprise may take great pride  
20 in their contributions; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
22 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate the Volar  
23 Center for Independent Living on being named the 2011 Center for  
24 Independent Living of the Year by the State of Texas and extend to

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1 its management and staff sincere best wishes for continued success  
2 with their important work; and, be it further

3         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for the center as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
5 House of Representatives.