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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Pregnancy care centers serve women in Texas and
2 across the United States with integrity and compassion; and

3 WHEREAS, Today, more than 2,500 pregnancy care centers around
4 the country provide comprehensive care to women and men facing
5 unplanned pregnancies; these facilities offer resources to meet
6 physical, psychological, emotional, and spiritual needs, including
7 such free services as pregnancy tests, confidential peer
8 counseling, 24-hour telephone hotlines, childbirth and parenting
9 classes, and referrals to community, health care, and other support
10 services; and

11 WHEREAS, Many medical pregnancy care centers offer
12 ultrasounds and other forms of medical attention; in addition to
13 information on adoption and adoption referrals, other resources are
14 provided for women who choose childbirth over abortion, and
15 pregnancy care centers encourage women to make positive life
16 choices by equipping them with complete and accurate information
17 regarding their pregnancy options and the development of their
18 unborn children; the centers promote infant health by ensuring that
19 expectant mothers receive prenatal information and appropriate
20 services; and

21 WHEREAS, Among other services, pregnancy care centers may
22 provide grief counseling for women and men who regret past choices
23 they have made; the mission of a pregnancy care center may also
24 encompass the teaching of abstinence education in public schools in

1 order to prevent unplanned pregnancies; and

2 WHEREAS, Pregnancy care centers rely primarily on the
3 generosity of donors and volunteers who are committed to meeting
4 the needs of women and promoting and protecting life; at the same
5 time, federal and state governments have increasingly come to
6 recognize the value of the services provided by these centers and to
7 designate public funds to support their efforts; and

8 WHEREAS, In the Lone Star State and across our nation,
9 pregnancy care centers have a considerable and growing positive
10 impact, and it is indeed fitting to honor their contributions; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the 82nd Legislature of the State of Texas
13 hereby recognize pregnancy care centers for their vital endeavors
14 and commend all those associated with these facilities for their
15 dedication.