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H.R. No. 894

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Texas-based BCFS is celebrating the 67th  
2 anniversary of its founding in 2011; and

3           WHEREAS, Due in large measure to the vision and compassion of  
4 its leadership through the years, BCFS has become a global health  
5 and human services organization that has changed the lives of  
6 countless children, families, and communities facing disasters  
7 around the world; and

8           WHEREAS, This same vision and commitment to service has led  
9 BCFS to become a key partner with the State of Texas during times of  
10 emergency, such as Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, Dolly, Gustav, Ike,  
11 and Alex, as well as in response to the H1N1 flu virus and the FLDS  
12 incident in West Texas; and

13           WHEREAS, Whether at home in Texas, in Haiti following the  
14 2010 earthquake, or in Sri Lanka following the 2004 tsunami, the  
15 emergency management and response expertise of BCFS has always  
16 sprung into action whenever called on; and

17           WHEREAS, In addition to responding to crises, the  
18 organization serves adults with intellectual or developmental  
19 disabilities at a campus where they can gain the skills necessary to  
20 thrive as part of their community; moreover, BCFS provides comfort  
21 to young victims of abuse or neglect, counseling for those who are  
22 struggling with tragedy or trauma, medical treatment for the  
23 impoverished, guidance for youth who lack families or support  
24 networks as they transition into adulthood, and help for those

1 seeking to expand their family through the process of fostering or  
2 adopting; and

3 WHEREAS, For nearly seven decades, BCFS has given vital  
4 assistance and hope to society's most vulnerable, and the  
5 organization continues to stand resolute in its commitment to  
6 answer the call of Texans and those in need around the world; now,  
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
9 Legislature hereby commemorate the 67th anniversary of the founding  
10 of BCFS and recognize the invaluable contributions the group has  
11 made to citizens of the Lone Star State and beyond; and, be it  
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for BCFS as an expression of high regard by the Texas House  
15 of Representatives.