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H.R. No. 1667

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, In a testament to its sound fiscal management,  
2 Irving Cares has received a four-star rating from Charity  
3 Navigator, the respected service that evaluates nonprofit groups in  
4 the United States; and

5           WHEREAS, Founded in 1957, Irving Cares has dedicated itself  
6 to helping the city's working poor and families in crisis by  
7 promoting self-sufficiency; the organization offers its clients  
8 valuable resources that include a food pantry, employment services,  
9 transportation to medical facilities, and limited financial  
10 assistance for rent, mortgage, utilities, and prescriptions; and

11           WHEREAS, The four-star rating earned by Irving Cares is the  
12 highest ranking given by Charity Navigator and is only awarded to a  
13 quarter of the organizations it reviews; Irving Cares exceeds  
14 industry standards with more than 80 cents of every dollar that it  
15 raises going back into the community for program-related expenses;  
16 and

17           WHEREAS, Positive recognition is nothing new to this North  
18 Texas charity; since 2001, Irving Cares has consistently achieved  
19 the United Way's top stewardship rating for fiduciary management  
20 and board oversight; in 2005, it received the Outstanding Community  
21 Partner Award from the City of Irving Housing and Human Services  
22 Department; and in 2008, TXU Energy Aid honored Irving Cares for 25  
23 years of continuous partnership in serving area residents; and

24           WHEREAS, By demonstrating an unwavering commitment to

1 responsibly serving those in need, Irving Cares has made a  
2 meaningful difference in the community for more than a  
3 half-century, and its sound practices are helping to ensure that  
4 the organization will remain a vital source of assistance for many  
5 years to come; now, therefore, be it

6       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Irving Cares on receiving a  
8 four-star rating from Charity Navigator and commend the  
9 organization's staff for their exceptional work; and, be it further

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