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H.C.R. No. 58

Substitute the following for H.C.R. No. 58:

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C.S.H.C.R. No. 58

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Ten Commandments set forth a code of moral
2 conduct that has had a significant impact on the development of the
3 legal principles of western civilization; and

4 WHEREAS, It is clear from their writings that our founding
5 fathers believed devotedly that there was a God, and throughout
6 American history all three branches of government have acknowledged
7 the strong role of religion in our nation's heritage and in the
8 lives of its citizens; and

9 WHEREAS, Government should not now or ever demonstrate any
10 hostility to observances of faith by disabling the recognition of
11 our religious heritage; and

12 WHEREAS, Reflecting our history as a religious people,
13 prayers, including the use of the word "God," at public gatherings
14 and displays of the Ten Commandments in public educational
15 institutions and other government buildings are acknowledgements
16 of the continuing and important role of our religious tradition;
17 now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
19 hereby support prayers, including the use of the word "God," at
20 public gatherings as well as displays of the Ten Commandments in
21 public educational institutions and other government buildings.