

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Members of Northwest Assistance Ministries in  
2 Houston are gathering together for an interfaith service on  
3 February 10, 2013, to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the  
4 organization; and

5           WHEREAS, Established in 1983 by 10 area congregations,  
6 Northwest Assistance Ministries was born out of the need for social  
7 services in north Houston; in its first years, the association  
8 operated with limited resources, but it has since grown to become  
9 one of the largest charities in the Houston metropolitan area; and

10           WHEREAS, Supported by more than 50 congregations, 18 service  
11 partner organizations, and over 160 business partners, NAM is  
12 operated by 85 employees and some 2,000 volunteers; in 2012, the  
13 group served nearly 130,000 residents through a number of worthy  
14 initiatives, including a food pantry, meals on wheels, a children's  
15 clinic, a family violence center, an interfaith hospitality network  
16 shelter, senior transportation, job development and basic  
17 education, and housing assistance for the homeless; and

18           WHEREAS, Over the past three decades, Northwest Assistance  
19 Ministries has upheld its mission of "neighbors helping neighbors,"  
20 and its collaborative endeavors have greatly enriched the quality  
21 of life for many in the greater Houston area; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
23 Legislature hereby honor Northwest Assistance Ministries on 30  
24 years of outstanding service and extend to all those associated

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1 with the organization 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 NAM as an expression of high regard by the Texas House  
5 of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 279 was adopted by the House on  
February 4, 2013, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House