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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

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.