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H.R. No. 944

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Healing Hands Ministries provides vitally needed
2 care to uninsured residents of Lake Highlands and other Dallas
3 communities; and

4 WHEREAS, The Healing Hands Ministries clinic was built by
5 volunteers and church partners in 2007, to deliver high-quality,
6 low-cost care to the surrounding neighborhood, which has the city's
7 highest density of Section 8 housing; approximately 60 percent of
8 local children qualify for school lunch subsidies, and many
9 families are among the working poor, one paycheck away from
10 homelessness; and

11 WHEREAS, The clinic provides primary medical care that helps
12 uninsured patients avoid expensive emergency room visits; in a
13 welcoming, nurturing environment, it offers dental care as well as
14 pediatric care, well-woman appointments, diabetes education,
15 laboratory services, asthma education, prescription drug benefits,
16 immunizations, and such specialties as orthopedics and arthritis
17 care; in addition, its staff collaborates with other community
18 providers to coordinate referrals for assistance outside its scope,
19 such as for diagnostic testing, surgery, and social services; and

20 WHEREAS, A faith-based program that relies solely on
21 volunteers and charitable donations, Healing Hands Ministries
22 makes crucial contributions to the health and well-being of area
23 Texans, and its efforts indeed merit special recognition; now,
24 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
2 Legislature hereby honor Healing Hands Ministries for its
3 exceptional humanitarian service and commend all those associated
4 with the organization for their significant endeavors in behalf of
5 those in need; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Healing Hands Ministries as an expression of high
8 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.