

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For three decades, the ESCAPE Family Resource Center
2 has provided vital support to at-risk families and children in the
3 greater Houston area; and

4 WHEREAS, ESCAPE works to prevent child abuse through a
5 variety of educational programs and services; respected for its
6 disciplined operations and responsible management, the center has
7 demonstrated a steadfast commitment to protecting the most
8 vulnerable members of the community since its establishment in
9 1983; and

10 WHEREAS, Collaborating with other nonprofits, ESCAPE has
11 expanded its reach by 2,700 percent in the past 12 years, with more
12 than 60,000 parents and children accessing its classes; topics
13 range from dealing with divorce and building confidence to
14 parenting children with special needs; the group's efforts not only
15 make a positive difference on an individual level, but they also
16 contribute to the reduction of overall domestic abuse cases, an
17 issue that currently costs the state \$2.3 billion per year; and

18 WHEREAS, The ESCAPE Family Resource Center has long made a
19 positive difference in countless lives by providing intervention,
20 education, and support to families in crisis, and the significance
21 of its outstanding work continues to resonate in the Bayou City and
22 beyond; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
24 Legislature hereby commend the ESCAPE Family Resource Center for

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1 its efforts to create safe and happy homes for area residents and
2 extend to its leaders, staff, and volunteers sincere appreciation
3 for their immeasurable contributions to the community; and, be it
4 further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1047 was adopted by the House on March 27, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House