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H.R. No. 1186

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Hope Clinic in Garland provides essential services
2 that benefit underserved individuals and families in the community;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, First opened in January 2002 as a mission of the
5 First Baptist Church in Garland, Hope Clinic is a full-service
6 health care facility that treats uninsured area residents; through
7 the contributions of some 38 volunteer physicians, 2 part-time paid
8 doctors, and many donations and grants, the clinic provides a wide
9 range of services from pediatrics to dermatology to cardiology and
10 more; and

11 WHEREAS, In addition to offering direct services, the clinic
12 cooperates with a variety of other agencies to ensure that patients
13 receive comprehensive care; the staff helps patients obtain
14 prescription medications and refers those who need services beyond
15 their capabilities to partners such as Baylor Medical Center at
16 Garland; Hope now also benefits from the generous support of seven
17 area churches and the proceeds of an annual prayer breakfast; and

18 WHEREAS, The work of the clinic has expanded greatly to meet
19 the needs of the community; in the past five years alone, the number
20 of patient visits has grown from 660 to 5,145 per year, and an
21 average of 100 to 120 individuals are treated each week; an
22 exemplary model of a well-run organization, it has been able to
23 deliver approximately \$2 million of services to the community in
24 2012 with a budget of just \$400,000, effectively providing \$5 of

1 health care for every \$1 of donations; and

2 WHEREAS, For more than a decade, Hope Clinic has helped
3 Garland residents lead healthier and more productive lives, and the
4 staff and volunteers of this notable establishment are indeed
5 worthy of recognition; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize Hope Clinic for its valuable
8 contributions to the Garland community and extend to all those
9 involved with it sincere best wishes for continued success with
10 their important work; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the clinic as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.