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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Children's Medical Center is celebrating its
2 100th anniversary during 2013, and this event provides a welcome
3 opportunity to recognize the organization for its notable
4 achievements; and

5 WHEREAS, On April 6, 1913, an open-air clinic was established
6 in Dallas to address the chronic problem of infant mortality caused
7 by dehydration and malnutrition; over the decades, that "baby camp"
8 has grown to become the fifth-largest pediatric health care
9 provider in the country; Children's Medical Center is ranked by
10 *U.S. News & World Report* in all 10 of the publication's rated
11 specialties for 2012-2013, and it is the only children's facility
12 in the nation to achieve seven disease-specific certifications from
13 The Joint Commission; its quality nursing staff has earned the
14 approval of the American Nurses Credentialing Center Magnet
15 Recognition Program; moreover, the center partnered with The
16 University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center to found the
17 Children's Medical Center Research Institute and publishes the
18 annual *Beyond ABC* report, which provides comprehensive data on the
19 wellness of children in six North Texas counties; and

20 WHEREAS, In addition to its advances in pediatrics,
21 Children's Medical Center employs thousands of individuals across
22 its two main campuses in Dallas and Plano and its multiple specialty
23 clinics, for a total economic impact of approximately \$1.6 billion
24 per year; moreover, the center welcomes all children regardless of

1 a family's ability to pay and without tax support from the city or
2 county, and it provided \$140 million in community benefits in 2011;
3 the center's network of MyChildren's pediatric primary-care offices
4 in underserved areas allowed nearly 100,000 children to receive
5 vital treatment in their own neighborhoods during 2012; and

6 WHEREAS, For a century, Children's Medical Center has
7 rendered exceptional service to the residents of North Texas, and
8 it has set a nationally renowned example of pediatric care; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
11 Legislature hereby honor Children's Medical Center on its 100th
12 anniversary and extend to all those associated with the center
13 sincere best wishes for a memorable centennial celebration and
14 continued success with their important work; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for the center as an expression of high regard by the Texas
17 House of Representatives.