

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize The Potter's House of Fort Worth on the occasion of its grand opening ceremony, which is taking place January 13, 2013; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional nondenominational house of worship is the realization of the dream of T. D. Jakes, pastor of The Potter's House of Dallas, to place a dynamic church in Fort Worth's Woodhaven community; and

WHEREAS, The church is located in a former shopping center and has already begun to play a role in the revitalization of the neighborhood; in addition to the church itself, the campus is home to a police substation and offers space to such businesses as a dental clinic, a medical clinic, and a barbershop; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of its pastor, the Reverend Patrick Winfield, The Potter's House of Fort Worth is working to engage young people in church activities through a mentorship program with local elementary schools; the church also offers a Manpower men's program and a women's outreach program known as Sisters Helping Other Extraordinary Sisters, or SHOES; and

WHEREAS, The opening of its Fort Worth campus is a reflection of the commitment of The Potter's House to providing enlightenment and hope to its members throughout the Metroplex; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend The Potter's House of Fort Worth on its outstanding work in the community and extend to its clergy and membership best wishes for a memorable grand opening ceremony; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the church as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 23, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate