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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, For 40 years, Williamson County Emergency Medical
- 2 Services has faithfully provided urgent, lifesaving care to Central
- 3 Texas residents; and
- WHEREAS, Williamson County EMS was created in 1975 through a
- 5 partnership between the county and the cities of Georgetown, Round
- 6 Rock, Taylor, Cedar Park, and Florence; over the last four decades,
- 7 the department's paramedics have aided more than 500,000 people,
- 8 working proactively to find the right resource for each patient and
- 9 following up with those who have chronic illnesses; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Starting out with 7 ambulances and 16 employees,
- 11 Williamson County EMS originally treated around 700 people
- 12 annually; today, the department has grown to include 18 ambulances
- 13 and 146 employees who administer treatment to approximately 25,000
- 14 individuals each year; and
- WHEREAS, Williamson County EMS is a leader in its field,
- 16 earning numerous accolades for its commitment to quality care; in
- 17 2003, the group was honored with the Paramedic Emergency Medical
- 18 Service of the Year Award from the National Association of
- 19 Emergency Medical Technicians, and in 2014, the Texas Department of
- 20 State Health Services recognized the exceptional efforts of
- 21 directors Kenny Schnell and Dr. Jeff Jarvis; and
- 22 WHEREAS, Since its inception, Williamson County EMS has
- 23 demonstrated unwavering dedication to the health and well-being of
- 24 area citizens, and its work has benefited the greater community in

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- 1 myriad ways; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby honor Williamson County Emergency Medical
- 4 Services on the 40th anniversary of its founding and extend to all
- 5 those responsible for the department's operations sincere best
- 6 wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for Williamson County Emergency Medical Services as an
- 9 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 720 was adopted by the House on March 12, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House