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H.R. No. 720

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For 40 years, Williamson County Emergency Medical
2 Services has faithfully provided urgent, lifesaving care to Central
3 Texas residents; and

4 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

15 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

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.