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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities of Dallas has provided a helping

hand to countless individuals in need for nearly 75 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Founded in 1941, Catholic Charities of Dallas offers

assistance to people of every race, religion, and national origin,

5 with the goal of helping them achieve self-sufficiency; the group's

efforts extend to disadvantaged families and other vulnerable

individuals throughout the nine counties that make up the Diocese

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9 WHEREAS, Through its Immigration and Legal Services Program,

Catholic Charities of Dallas advocates for persons and families

seeking American citizenship by helping to guide them through the

12 immigration process; caseworkers for the organization make clients

13 aware of their rights and various aspects of immigration law while

assisting them with obtaining family visas, representing victims of

15 domestic abuse and violent crime, and supporting custodians of

16 unaccompanied children; and

17 WHEREAS, Volunteers and professionals for Catholic Charities

18 of Dallas also work diligently to resettle refugees who have left

19 their home country behind to seek asylum in the Dallas area; the

20 refugee resettlement program relies on donations of household items

21 and furniture from the public to furnish apartments, where refugees

22 can have a safe place to live upon arriving in Dallas; and

23 WHEREAS, Catholic Charities of Dallas has remained steadfast

24 in its commitment to providing area residents with the support and

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- 1 direction they need to secure a bright future for themselves, and
- 2 the organization has made a positive and lasting difference in many
- 3 lives; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby commend the efforts of Catholic Charities of
- 6 Dallas and extend to all those associated with the organization
- 7 best wishes for continued success with their many good works; and,
- 8 be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Catholic Charities of Dallas as an expression of high
- 11 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.