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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Coastal Bend Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation
2 Center in Corpus Christi, more commonly known as Charlie's Place
3 Recovery Center, is marking a significant milestone in 2015 with
4 the observance of its 50th anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, Founded in 1965 by members of a local Alcoholics
6 Anonymous group, the center started out as a small 24-hour halfway
7 house; previously, area residents with alcohol addictions would
8 frequently end up in jail or the psychiatric ward due to a lack of
9 treatment facilities in the area; the halfway house provided a
10 better alternative, and its efforts got a boost in 1967, when
11 Charlie Acklen became a resident; he soon became an essential
12 member of the organization in his role as the house manager, and the
13 center became known as "Charlie's Place"; through the years, it has
14 grown to become one of the largest nonprofit residential treatment
15 facilities in the state; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, Charlie's Place is housed in a renovated
17 former hotel and treats men and women age 18 and older suffering
18 from substance abuse or dependence; the center's dedicated and
19 caring staff assist clients by helping them understand their
20 addictions, teaching them how to rebuild their lives, and giving
21 them the skills needed to remain sober; services include inpatient
22 detoxification and intensive inpatient treatment, as well as
23 supportive care that benefits individuals as they move through the
24 recovery process and search for housing and employment; and

1 WHEREAS, Over the course of a half-century, Charlie's Place
2 Recovery Center has helped over 40,000 Texans reclaim their lives
3 and work toward a more promising future, and all those associated
4 with the facility are to be commended for their admirable efforts;
5 now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby commemorate the 50th anniversary of Charlie's
8 Place Recovery Center and extend to the center's staff and
9 supporters sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Charlie's Place as an expression of high regard by the
12 Texas House of Representatives.