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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Texas Catholic Conference are
2 gathering in Austin on March 24, 2015, to celebrate Catholic Faith
3 in Action Advocacy Day at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, TCC works to foster cooperation and communication
5 among the dioceses and the ministries of the Catholic Church of
6 Texas, and it acts as the public policy voice of the bishops of
7 Texas, who serve more than 7 million Catholic people and 15 dioceses
8 statewide; and

9 WHEREAS, Texans from all walks of life significantly benefit
10 from the service of the Catholic Charities ministries and the
11 parish-based social ministries located across the state; and

12 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the importance of the family, Catholic
13 life ministries help strengthen and nurture relationships by
14 offering marriage preparation and education to engaged couples and
15 marriage enrichment programs; in addition, the Respect Life program
16 provides a range of services to women facing crisis pregnancies as
17 well as assistance to needy families; and

18 WHEREAS, An invaluable source of education, Catholic schools
19 employ curricula based on faith to instruct over 80,000 Texas
20 students in moral development, stewardship, altruism, and
21 leadership; Catholic religious education programs also enhance the
22 lives of some 384,000 children and their families; and

23 WHEREAS, Catholic chaplains generously volunteer their time
24 to offer pastoral care and guidance to scores of individuals

1 incarcerated in our prisons and jails; and

2 WHEREAS, Promoting the values of life, justice, charity, and
3 religious freedom, the Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day
4 encourages Catholics to help build a better world by becoming more
5 informed and engaged citizens; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize March 24, 2015, as Catholic Faith in
8 Action Advocacy Day and extend to all participants sincere best
9 wishes for a meaningful and memorable event; and, be it further

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