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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Army Marathon III was held on March 1, 2015,
2 furthering its reputation as one of the premier athletic charity
3 events in the Killeen/Temple/Fort Hood area; and

4 WHEREAS, Created in 2013 to honor the men and women of the
5 United States armed services, The Army Marathon is a nonprofit
6 event that raises funds to benefit active-duty personnel, veterans,
7 and their families; through the various races and other events
8 associated with the marathon, organizers provide financial support
9 to a variety of worthwhile groups, including the Military Child
10 Education Coalition, the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors,
11 and Scott & White Military Homefront Services; and

12 WHEREAS, This year's marathon, half-marathon, and 5K races
13 drew 1,500 runners and walkers who ranged in age from 13 to 84 and
14 hailed from some 40 U.S. states and other locations around the
15 world; more than 500 volunteers and contractors helped ensure the
16 event was a success, including representatives from Junior ROTC
17 groups, civic associations, businesses, and veterans
18 organizations; moreover, mayors, city council members, and city
19 managers from area municipalities helped with coordinating the
20 marathon; and

21 WHEREAS, Valuable assistance was also offered by medical
22 professionals from Baylor Scott & White, as well as by personnel
23 from the Central Texas Council of Governments and surrounding fire
24 and EMS departments; peace officers from Killeen, Harker Heights,

1 Belton, Temple, the Bell County Sheriff's Office, and the Texas
2 Department of Public Safety helped to maintain a secure and safe
3 environment for all involved; and

4 WHEREAS, In keeping with the marathon's name, a number of
5 participants and volunteers were active military personnel or
6 veterans, and the race serves as a tribute to the heroic and
7 selfless efforts of our men and women in uniform; and

8 WHEREAS, By honoring the rich military heritage of the United
9 States and raising money to assist those who have served, The Army
10 Marathon III is an outstanding Central Texas event, and all those
11 who played a part in the race may reflect with pride on a job well
12 done; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
14 Legislature hereby recognize the participants, volunteers, civic
15 leaders, and public servants who helped make The Army Marathon III a
16 success and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future.