

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 150

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the members of the Hood County Long Term Recovery Committee for their exemplary work in the aftermath of a tornado that struck the Rancho Brazos community on May 15, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Hood County Long Term Recovery Committee was formed by a group of concerned citizens who had no prior experience in disaster recovery; faced with the devastation of an EF4 tornado that destroyed 100 homes and killed six people, these citizens studied the issues surrounding the tragedy and worked in a variety of ways to help those displaced by the storm; and

WHEREAS, The dedicated volunteers selflessly performed a wide variety of tasks to help people recover; they procured modular housing from Fort Hood, rebuilt homes, and wrote grants for recovery funding; due to their tireless efforts, victims were able to be reinstated in homes approximately six months earlier than after most disasters; and

WHEREAS, Numerous local organizations and businesses played a vital role in the recovery efforts, including the United Way of Hood County, Mission Granbury, the United Methodist Committee on Relief, Texas Neighborhood Services, Central Texas Title, First National Bank, and churches of all denominations; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to the unstinting and generous work of the Hood County Long Term Recovery Committee, the victims of the 2013 tornado have been able to begin putting their lives back together; it is truly fitting the members of the committee receive special recognition for their outstanding work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Hood County Long Term Recovery Committee on their dedication and hard work and extend to all best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the committee as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 11, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate