

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, When a person is losing blood, every minute counts,
2 and the Stop the Bleed campaign of the U.S. Department of Homeland
3 Security is informing Americans about vital measures to aid trauma
4 victims; and

5 WHEREAS, The initiative was created in the wake of the 2012
6 mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School; at the request of the
7 governor of Connecticut, Dr. Lenworth Jacobs convened a panel of
8 experts, among them the American College of Surgeons, and their
9 review led to development of the Stop the Bleed campaign; in Texas,
10 implementation of the program is being guided by Dr. J. Patrick
11 Walker of Crockett, a member of the American College of Surgeons
12 Committee on Trauma; and

13 WHEREAS, Because a trauma victim can bleed to death within
14 five minutes, before professional emergency care arrives, the
15 program teaches citizens bleeding-control methods developed by the
16 military and first responders; Stop the Bleed also provides kits
17 that include such tools as tourniquets, dressings, and topical
18 hemostatic agents to help bystanders offer swift assistance at the
19 scene of a mass casualty or other incident; these kits are affixed
20 to walls in public places, much like the cardiac defibrillators
21 with which most modern buildings are furnished; and

22 WHEREAS, The Stop the Bleed campaign is empowering citizens
23 across the country to save lives in situations when time is of the
24 absolute essence; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the 85th Legislature of the State of Texas
2 hereby recognize the Stop the Bleed campaign and encourage all
3 Texans to participate in the initiative and learn more about the
4 importance of bleeding-control measures.

Ashby

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 61 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 61 was adopted by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor