H.C.R. No. 65

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; and

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

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

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RESOLVED, That the 85th Legislature of the State of Texas

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H.C.R. No. 65 1 hereby recognize the Stop the Bleed campaign and encourage all 2 Texans to participate in the initiative and learn more about the 3 importance of bleeding-control measures.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 65 was adopted by the House on February 7, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 65 was adopted by the Senate on February 7, 2017, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor