By: Craddick H.C.R. No. 142

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, William C. Morrow is being posthumously honored by
- 2 PermiaCare with a building dedication ceremony in Midland on March
- 3 29, 2019; and
- 4 WHEREAS, PermiaCare, formerly Permian Basin Community
- 5 Centers, was established in 1969 to provide mental health and
- 6 mental retardation services to the residents of Midland County;
- 7 today the organization helps over 10,000 individuals annually
- 8 through programs related to mental health, substance abuse,
- 9 intellectual and developmental disabilities, early childhood
- 10 intervention, HIV and AIDS treatment, and veteran services; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Bill Morrow began his relationship with PermiaCare
- 12 in 1974 when he became a member of its board of trustees; along the
- 13 way, he helped to establish the Foundation for Mental Health and
- 14 Mental Retardation of the Permian Basin to further the agency's
- 15 mission; during his tenure, he was instrumental in securing the
- 16 funding needed to purchase the building located on East Illinois
- 17 Avenue in Midland, which would become the organization's flagship
- 18 location; and
- 19 WHEREAS, A respected leader in the Midland community,
- 20 Mr. Morrow served on the local city council, and he was a county
- 21 judge for eight years; he gave back to his fellow citizens through
- 22 his membership on various boards, including those of United Way,
- 23 Midland Community Theatre, the Midland Chamber of Commerce, the
- 24 Industrial Foundation of Midland, and the Texas Rehabilitation

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- 1 Commission; furthermore, he was a church officer and Sunday school
- 2 teacher at First Presbyterian Church; and
- 3 WHEREAS, During the past half century, thousands of Texans
- 4 have benefited from the services provided by PermiaCare, and much
- 5 of this was made possible by Bill Morrow's dedicated efforts and
- 6 commitment to helping those in need; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 8 hereby commemorate the dedication of the PermiaCare building in
- honor of William C. Morrow and extend to all those associated with
- 10 the agency sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 12 prepared for PermiaCare as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 13 House of Representatives and Senate.