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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Endeavors is celebrating its 50th anniversary in
2019, and it is also marking the 15th anniversary of its Fairweather
Family Lodge in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, Founded as San Antonio Urban Ministries 4 by inner-city churches in 1969, Endeavors has grown dramatically 5 through the years and adopted its present name in 2018; the 6 nonprofit agency delivers an array of services to children, 7 families, veterans, and people struggling with mental illness or 8 other significant disabilities; it additionally partners and 9 coordinates with government agencies and local and national 10 11 organizations to increase its ability to meet the needs of vulnerable residents; and 12

13 WHEREAS, Endeavors now serves more than 16,000 clients 14 annually; its programs address such issues as homelessness, unemployment, and child abuse, and it offers families counseling, 15 crisis intervention, and life skills and vocational training, among 16 other initiatives; key programs include Safe Services, which 17 furnishes crime victims with free professional counseling and case 18 management, Operation Parent Strong, which holds group 19 and 20 individual parenting classes for military families, and the Steven 21 A. Cohen Military Family Clinic, which provides integrated mental 22 health care to veterans and their families; moreover, Veteran 23 Supportive Services offers homelessness prevention and rapid 24 rehousing through case management, housing stability plans, and

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1 assistance in obtaining VA and other benefits; and

2 WHEREAS, In 2004, Endeavors opened its Fairweather Family 3 Lodge, which provides permanent supportive housing to chronically 4 homeless women with disabilities and their children; its 5 Fairweather Lodge offers such housing to single individuals with 6 mental illness; and

7 WHEREAS, Over the past half century, Endeavors has empowered 8 countless people to improve their lives and build a brighter future 9 for their families, and in so doing, it has helped to strengthen the 10 entire community; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 12 Legislature hereby congratulate Endeavors on its 50th anniversary 13 and on the 15th anniversary of its Fairweather Family Lodge and 14 extend to all those associated with this noteworthy organization 15 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the 18 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1611 was adopted by the House on May 17, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House