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H.R. No. 1611

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Endeavors is celebrating its 50th anniversary in
2 2019, and it is also marking the 15th anniversary of its Fairweather
3 Family Lodge in San Antonio; and

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

13 WHEREAS, Endeavors now serves more than 16,000 clients
14 annually; its programs address such issues as homelessness,
15 unemployment, and child abuse, and it offers families counseling,
16 crisis intervention, and life skills and vocational training, among
17 other initiatives; key programs include Safe Services, which
18 furnishes crime victims with free professional counseling and case
19 management, Operation Parent Strong, which holds group 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

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.