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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Pastor Jeff King of Bear Creek Bible Church in
2 Keller is being hailed as a hero after providing a tip to the Fort
3 Worth Police Department that led to the safe return of a kidnapped
4 child; and

5 WHEREAS, On May 18, 2019, an eight-year-old girl was abducted
6 by a man in a car while walking with her mother, and the make and
7 color of the perpetrator's vehicle was soon thereafter reported in
8 an Amber Alert; learning that the victim was the daughter of a
9 childhood friend, Pastor King enlisted the help of another friend
10 to search for the car, and at the suggestion of police, they focused
11 on local apartment buildings, hotels, and parks; their efforts
12 proved fruitless for several hours, but soon after arriving at a
13 Forest Hill hotel 12 miles from where the girl had been taken, they
14 spotted the suspect's car; and

15 WHEREAS, After receiving Pastor King's tip, officers raided a
16 room at the hotel and found both the victim and the suspect; the
17 girl was transported to a local hospital in good condition, and she
18 was soon united with her elated and profoundly grateful family; the
19 suspect has been charged with aggravated kidnapping; and

20 WHEREAS, Pastor Jeff King's assistance proved vital in
21 rescuing a child in grave danger, and citizens across the state are
22 deeply appreciative of the initiative that he demonstrated in a
23 time of crisis; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby honor Jeff King for helping to secure the safe
2 return of an eight-year-old kidnapping victim and extend to him
3 sincere gratitude for his essential contributions; and, be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for Pastor King as an expression of high regard by the
7 Texas House of Representatives.