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S.C.R. No. 54

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Military Department has requested four
2 special budget items for the 86th Texas Legislative Session; and

3 WHEREAS, Having carefully assessed the needs of the military
4 in our state, the department seeks \$12,758,734 for expansion of the
5 Texas State Guard, \$5,804,910 for emergency and disaster
6 preparedness, \$55,814,800 for facility management and operation,
7 and \$1,710,000 for mental health and service member care; and

8 WHEREAS, These items are essential to the operations of the
9 14 military bases in Texas, to support for members of the U.S. armed
10 forces serving in Texas, and to military preparedness in the Lone
11 Star State; the U.S. has invested billions of dollars in these
12 bases in the interest of national security, and the proposed
13 construction of a border wall threatens to jeopardize this
14 investment by pulling funding; and

15 WHEREAS, A number of special projects would be affected or
16 potentially halted if funding were pulled, including the Shoreview
17 Field Maintenance Shop in Fort Worth, the Army Aviation Support
18 Facility at Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth, and the
19 Camp Mabry Microgrid Project; moreover, redirecting any amount of
20 funding from the Department of Defense would negatively impact
21 Joint Base San Antonio, which is home to Fort Sam Houston and
22 Randolph and Lackland Air Force Bases, and the Martindale Army
23 Airfield; and

24 WHEREAS, No action should be contemplated that reduces the

1 readiness of our military or places the well-being of our troops at
2 risk; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas
4 hereby oppose the allocation of any state or federal money toward
5 the construction of a border wall; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
7 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to
8 the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of
9 Representatives of the United States Congress, and to all the
10 members of the Texas delegation as an expression of sentiment by the
11 Texas House of Representatives and Senate.