

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 489

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the staff of Front Steps for their invaluable work on behalf of the homeless in Austin; and

WHEREAS, Front Steps was established as the Capital Area Homeless Alliance in 1997 to assist the area's homeless population; through a contract with the city, the organization serves as the managing entity for the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless; and

WHEREAS, Front Steps has been able to succeed in its charitable mission through the work of caring employees who provide emergency shelter, recuperative medical care, comprehensive case management, addiction services, and support services to those in need; more than 600 individuals look to the Front Steps staff each day for around-the-clock services, and 230 men find rest at the emergency shelter each night; and

WHEREAS, Front Steps staff members are motivated by an exceptional sense of compassion, and they serve the city's homeless population despite inevitable heartbreak and little recognition for their work; they further their commitment by raising public awareness about the agency and about issues affecting the area's homeless population; and

WHEREAS, The team members at Front Steps exemplify the highest ideals of charitable service, and they are indeed deserving of recognition for their benevolent work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby honor all who contribute their time to help Front Steps succeed and commend them for working to improve the lives of their fellow citizens; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the staff of Front Steps as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 26, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate