SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 748

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 by inner-city churches in 1969, Endeavors has grown dramatically through the years and adopted its present name in 2018; the nonprofit agency delivers an array of services to children, families, veterans, and people struggling with mental illness or other significant disabilities; it additionally partners and coordinates with government agencies and local and national organizations to increase its ability to meet the needs of vulnerable residents; and

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

WHEREAS, In 2004, Endeavors opened its Fairweather Family Lodge, which provides permanent supportive housing to

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chronically homeless women with disabilities and their children; its Fairweather Lodge offers such housing to single individuals with mental illness; and

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

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

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

> Flores, Campbell, Menéndez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 15, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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