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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, March for Life has demonstrated outstanding public spirit through its dedication to the advancement of the pro-life movement; and

WHEREAS, On January 22, 1974, the March for Life began as a peaceful demonstration in response to the *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* decisions, and it has since grown into one of the largest annual pro-life events in the world; each year, thousands of civic-minded individuals gather to march on Capitol Hill, and many more express their support through state marches and donations; and

WHEREAS, In addition to its annual demonstrations, the organization advocates year round through the March for Life Action Activist Network; in 2020, this initiative connected more than 200,000 activists with legislators at the local, state, and federal level; it strives to make lobbying more accessible and ensure that its members can exercise their civic responsibility; and

WHEREAS, March for Life has benefited from the able leadership of its president, Jeanne F. Mancini, and the president of March for Life Action, Tom McClusky; among its goals for 2021, the organization plans to hold five state marches, expand its activist network, and increase its outreach on social and mainstream media; and

WHEREAS, For more than four and a half decades, the members of March for Life have made a lasting difference through their political activism, and they may indeed take great pride in their contributions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby commend March for Life on its political engagement and extend to its members sincere best wishes for the future; 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 House of Representatives.