

By: Bucy

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Our communities draw immeasurable strength from  
2 individuals such as the Honorable Mel Kirkland of Cedar Park, whose  
3 contributions to the House District 136 Neighbor to Neighbor Food  
4 and Wellness Program have greatly benefited area Texans; and

5           WHEREAS, In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the program  
6 was established through a partnership between Hill Country  
7 Community Ministries and the offices of State Representative John  
8 Bucy III and a bipartisan group of local leaders to check in on area  
9 senior citizens and people with disabilities and to provide them  
10 with food deliveries; and

11           WHEREAS, This noteworthy initiative benefits from many  
12 dedicated volunteers, including Mr. Kirkland, who has given  
13 generously of his time to help some of the most vulnerable local  
14 residents; on March 27, 2020, the program made its first  
15 contactless deliveries to those with an urgent need for food; the  
16 service has since grown to support more than 120 families each week,  
17 and volunteers have delivered upwards of 40,000 meals; and

18           WHEREAS, Through his diligent work with the Neighbor to  
19 Neighbor Food and Wellness Program, the Honorable Mel Kirkland has  
20 demonstrated the power that all citizens have to make a positive  
21 difference, and it is indeed fitting that he be recognized for his  
22 commitment to being a force for good; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
24 Legislature hereby commend the Honorable Mel Kirkland for his

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1 contributions to the House District 136 Neighbor to Neighbor Food  
2 and Wellness Program and extend to him sincere best wishes for the  
3 future; and, be it further

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